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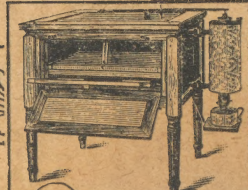
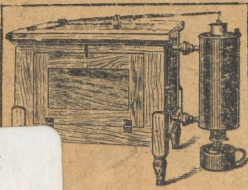


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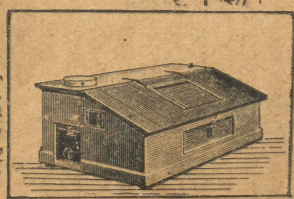
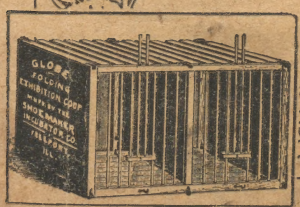


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S. R. THOMPSON, Edinburg, Ind.

If any one asks "where is the necessity or the room for another poultry paper? he or she will find a perfectly satisfactory answer in reading your "**POULTRY TRIBUNE**." The body is intrinsically very useful and valuable to poultry people.

JAMES STINSON, M. D., Watsonville, Cal.

From the appearance and valuable items contained in your Journal you deserve much praise, and you have my support and best wishes.

W. C. BLACK, Troy, Alabama.

I received the **POULTRY TRIBUNE** a few days ago, and in reply will say I thank you very much for same, as I find it a newsy and interesting monthly journal.

OTTO L. NESTER, Rockport, Ind.

I receive the **POULTRY TRIBUNE** and think it a very good paper; it is what I have been waiting for a long time.

Mrs. HENRY BURKHOLDER, Wing, Ill.

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Shoemaker Incubator Co.,

Freeport, Illinois,

U. S. A.

Greeting to All.

AS we enter upon the threshold of the business of another year, we look forward with eagerness, and in anticipation of the return of great prosperity to all labor industries which have suffered an untold amount of misery in the last decade.

Notwithstanding the hard times which we have gone through in the past, in which our business has suffered to some extent, we are glad to say that we are still on deck with a more complete line than ever.

Our machines have proven themselves to be superior to all others, **winning first premium** wherever exhibited, in **strongest competition**. Our many patrons attest to the merits of the Globe Incubators and Brooders, because they are the best, because they are honestly constructed, sold at an honest price, and on their merits.

We are ever grateful to our many patrons who in the past have favored us with your valued orders, and trust by strictly honorable dealings we may merit a continuance of your patronage. We are cognizant of the fact that our prosperity depends entirely upon our integrity, honesty, and the quality of our goods, and to this end we have ever striven, which has been demonstrated in the past from the fact that of the hundreds of machines we have sold, they have given universal satisfaction.

NOTICE.

We have combined our catalogue of Incubators, Brooders and Poultry Supplies with C. C. Shoemaker's Catalogue of Pure Bred Poultry, hence, all orders for Incubators, Brooders, or Poultry Supplies should be sent to the

Shoemaker Incubator Co.

All orders for Poultry and Eggs, or correspondence in reference to same should be addressed to

C. C. SHOEMAKER,

which in either case will receive our most careful attention.

SHOEMAKER INCUBATOR CO., FREEPORT, ILL.



INTERIOR VIEW FACTORY OFFICE OF THE SHOEMAKER INCUBATOR CO.

The Shoemaker Incubator Works are located in the city of Freeport, Ill., $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile south-east of the Illinois Central R. R. Co's depot, on the east side of the track. The factory is a large brick building, fitted out with the best and latest improved machinery for the purpose of manufacturing the different machines. We employ nothing but skilled labor in our shops, and all the material used is carefully selected, so that we are justified in claiming the foremost position for our

Famous Globe Incubators and Brooders and Poultry Supplies.

Please bear in mind that we are not a new concern, and that we are not inviting your patronage for only an experimental purpose.

But to the contrary, we have been doing business before the public for many years, and our reputation for square and honest dealings is unquestionable, which has been repeatedly demonstrated, so that we hope to convince you that it should not be a question as to our integrity and responsibility, but that the questions should be: "Do I want an Incubator? and do I want a Brooder?" If so, the Shoemaker Incubator Co. stand pre-eminently over all others, and their machines are the best.

Shoemaker Incubator Co., Freeport, Ill.

Evans Falls, June 26, 1896.

Gentlemen:—The last of March or first of April we received your Globe Incubator and Brooder. It was more like a piece of polished furniture than anything else. We filled it with eggs as fast as we could find them, and one morning, before we expected them, we found some little chickens running around and forty eggs picked. Now I am more than pleased, have filled it again, and would not sell it under any circumstances. Mr. Space of Noxen put one hundred eggs in his Globe Incubator and hatched ninety-three chicks. Any one may write me as to my opinion.

Mrs. Nettie Lanphear.

All correspondence and orders for Poultry and Eggs should be addressed to
C. C. SHOEMAKER, Freeport, Ill., U. S. A.



GLOBE INCUBATOR.

The Globe Incubator is placed upon the market as a first-class machine in every particular. The workmanship is all that could be desired, the material used is the best, and our system of heating has no equal. All our Incubators are manufactured on the latest and most approved methods of the pipe system. The pipes all are fitted together with either white or red lead in the best possible manner, which insures against any possibility of leakage; unlike other machines having tanks that are liable to spring a leak at any time. With our past experience it has been demonstrated to us time and again, that a tank for heating an Incubator frequently causes considerable vexation, annoyance, and expense to the operator, owing to the fact that it would spring a leak during the hatching process,

which would necessitate a great deal of labor to get it soldered again, which in some instances would be injurious to the hatching of the eggs. In our machines we have entirely overcome this difficulty; no leaks are experienced when the pipes are properly screwed together.

Our 260 egg Incubators require 47 feet of pipe for their construction, which is so arranged in the upper part of the egg chamber as to produce an exact and uniform degree of heat in all parts. The circulation of hot water through the pipes is constant and perfect, which produces an entirely even temperature in all parts of the egg chamber.

The boilers on our machines are manufactured from the best quality of No. 14 cold rolled copper and brass, and are so arranged as to produce the largest amount of hot water with the least possible amount of oil, as they have a very large heating surface. The boilers are also made detachable, which in many instances will prove very beneficial, especially when not in use, as they will not require as much room to store them away.

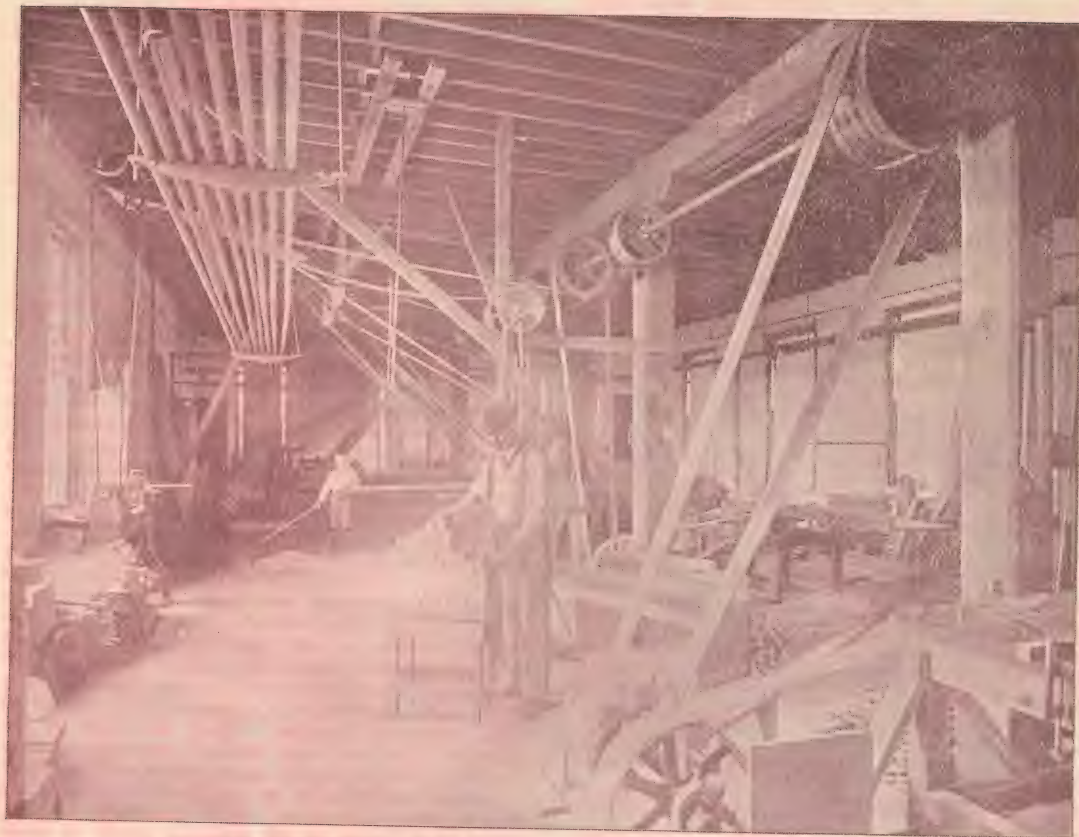
We use a central draft lamp on all our Incubators, except the 60 egg size, which is supplied with only an ordinary flat wick burner.

It is conceded by every one, that the central draft lamp is the best lamp on the market to-day, as it is absolutely safe, and non-explosive. It is the most expensive lamp, yet it is the most economical to use, as the blaze on the lamp can be turned down if not required, so that it will not produce more heat than just what is necessary to keep the proper degree of heat in the egg chamber, which is 103 degrees. It requires from three to five gallons of oil to hatch out a batch of chicks from our 260 egg machine; the amount of oil consumed depends largely on how warm the room is in which you are operating the Incubator. All our Incubators are so constructed with a double wall, leaving one and one-half inches of dead air space all around them, top, bottom and all sides have the same dead air space. In this space there are three linings, one of Asbestos and two of the best quality of building paper, which renders the case perfectly tight.

All parts of the machine are arranged so as to be accessible. No parts of the pipes that encircle the inside case of the Incubator are placed in a position that cannot be gotten within reach of very readily. Our Incubators are all supplied with a first-class regulator. We have known them to run for seven and eight days and not vary one degree, but in this case the operator understood how to properly manage the machine, which is very simple, any boy can soon learn it as there are no electric appliances to bother with. In every way imaginable, our machines are simple, convenient, durable, and practical, and are sold for less money than any other on the market considering quality.

The ventilation is simply perfect, and is one of vital importance in the hatching of good, strong, healthy chicks. There is no machine with a better system of ventilation, and but very few with as good a system as we employ on the Globe Incubator. Our Incubators are also furnished with proper moisture, for the hatching of good strong chicks, which should not be overlooked when purchasing a machine. In short our Incubators to-day stand pre-eminently over all others, and are sold on their merits. They will hatch more good, strong, healthy chicks at less cost than any other. If you want a machine that will do the work successfully; that is supplied with a perfect system of hot water pipes; one that has proper ventilation; one that has a first-class regulator that will prevent over heating; one that is simple and easily operated; and built on common sense principles; one that will hatch every fertile egg, you will find all those qualities in our machines. We won first premium on both Incubators and Brooders at the Illinois State Fair held at Springfield, Ill., from September 28th to October 4th, 1896—having strong competition.

SHOEMAKER INCUBATOR CO., FREEPORT, ILL.



VIEW OF INTERIOR OF MACHINERY ROOM.

A Few Testimonials.

From FARM AND HOME, Springfield, Mass.

An old time subscriber says: I have taken pains to know about different firms and persons who advertise in FARM AND HOME and I have yet to know of one fraud. Among those who advertise in F. and H. is the Shoemaker Incubator Co., of Freeport, Ill. Their incubator and brooder is all that it is represented to be. I would not sell mine for any price if I could not get another. I am raising poultry and the eggs came from the Shoemaker Poultry Farm during dog days.

COLLEEN BAWN, Wyoming Co., Pa.

Globe Incubator Co.

Wakarusa, Ind., July 8th, 1896.

Gentlemen.—The Incubator I bought of you last winter does its work as recommended. The first hatch, without any knowledge of incubators whatever, (and that being in the very coldest weather) hatched out 70 per cent. of the fertile eggs; and for workmanship and finish your machine is hard to beat.

AMOS MUMAW.

LaMorita, State of Sonora, Mexico, Sept. 1, 1896.

Shoemaker Incubator Co., Freeport, Ill., U. S. A.

Gents:—I received the 200 Egg Incubator and Brooder in due time last July and in testimony regarding them I can conscientiously say this: The Globe Incubator and also the Brooder cover all requirements; they are safe, economical and reliable and, above all, well constructed and even ornamental, and I have hatched out every fertile hen egg which I put into the incubator in due time and had also the pleasure of seeing seven quail eggs hatch together with a batch of chicken eggs. The young quail, however, we gave unwisely to a nervous hen, and she in turn killed them all while scratching about. The self-regulating apparatus of your "Globe" is so simple that anybody using the commonest of common sense, can run the machine, and it is no trick to keep up the required 105° of heat at all. I trimmed the lamp once every 24 hours and refilled it—then would watch the flame for a minute or so to keep it from burning too high, and after that leave it to take care of itself. I would not think of bothering with sitting hens any more since I know what your Globe Incubators and Brooders can do; they are perfection, clean and reliable and I most heartily recommend them to all, and I wish you success in introducing these valuable apparatuses broadcast over the American continent and abroad. You can refer to me at all times. Very truly yours,

WILLIAM HEYN.

SHOEMAKER INCUBATOR CO.. FREEPORT, ILL.

Read what the STATE JOURNAL says about our exhibit at Springfield, Ill.

The Shoemaker Incubator Co. of Freeport, Ill. is showing the world renowned Globe Incubator on the grounds, and it has proved one of the main attractions of the fair. These gentlemen have one of the largest manufactories of the kind in the country, while the "Globe" ranks among the best incubators and brooders on the market, and took first prize at the Illinois State Fair this year, and are immensely popular wherever introduced. Only the best material is used in the manufacture of their goods, and none but skilled and experienced workmen employed, hence, the superiority of their work.

Freeport, Ill., June 22d, 1896.

Shoemaker Incubator Works, City.

Gentlemen:—The Incubator I purchased from you some time ago has proved itself all you claim for it, having hatched 160 chicks from 200 eggs placed therein.

To all who wish to purchase an Incubator, I can cheerfully recommend the Globe, as it stands upon its own merits and will do the work successfully if properly managed.

Yours very truly,

MRS. ELLEN BUFFIN.

Freeport, Ill., June 23th, 1896.

Shoemaker Incubator Co., City.

Gentlemen:—I can cheerfully recommend the Brooder, as I consider it far superior to the old hen for raising young chicks. The best feature of it is the heat coming from overhead which is the natural way, and although I have raised three brooderfulls of chicks, I have not had a single case of leg weakness. The heat is so evenly distributed that the chicks do not crowd and smother, but are happy and contented and healthy.

Yours very truly,

MRS. M. F. RISING.

Adrian, Mich., Aug. 31, 1896.

Shoemaker Incubator Co., Freeport, Ill.

Gentlemen:—Please send me prices of Brooders. I bought an Incubator of you this last spring and am well pleased with it.

Yours truly,

M. ZERLAUT, 41 Hunt St.

Leland, Ill., Jan. 27, 1896.

C. C. Shoemaker, Freeport, Ill.

Dear Sir:—I examined your Incubator and Brooder thoroughly at the show, and know by their construction that they will do all you claim them to do. When I buy an Incubator and Brooder, it will be a "Globe."

Respectfully,

CHAS. G. ARNOLD.

A POULTRY PUBLISHER'S OPINION.

To whom it may concern:

We have examined the Globe Incubators and Brooders, manufactured by the Shoemaker Incubator Co., both in the raw material while being manufactured and the finished machines, and have found all material used, and workmanship, to be first-class in all respects.

We believe the pipe system used in heating these machines to be second to none, and a great improvement over some in use.

We have known the Messrs. Shoemaker for years, and have always found them perfectly reliable in every respect, and can refer parties in want of Incubators or Brooders to this company, confident that they will be perfectly satisfied with any dealings they may have with the Shoemaker Incubator Co.

R. R. FISHER,

Publisher of Poultry Tribune, Freeport, Ill.

Galveston, Texas, May 20th, 1896.

Shoemaker Incubator Co., Freeport, Ill.

Gentlemen:—I purchased of you in March one of your 200 egg Globe Incubators and Brooders, and I thought I would let you know what success I had.

I placed 199 eggs in the Incubator, and 21 days following, was presented with 168 live, healthy chicks, which not only myself but friends and acquaintances thought was a very good average.

Your dealing has been fair, honest and in short everything one could wish for; and one cannot praise your machines enough, for they do the work just as they are represented to do, and I have not only recommended you to friends here, but throughout the state; and, concluding, wish the Globe Incubator Co. the grandest of success.

Yours very respectfully,

JOHN A. JAMES, 1814, 35th Street, Galveston, Texas.

The JO DAVIESS COUNTY REVIEW says :

The Shoemaker Incubator Co., of Freeport, Ill. is the largest concern of its kind in the Northwest, one which bids fair to become an important factor in the future development of the city. We refer to the large establishment of C. C. and George E. Shoemaker, manufacturers of the celebrated Globe Incubators and Brooders, which are known to be the very best in the market, and have won a very enviable reputation. The premises occupied are embraced in a two story building of ample dimensions, fully equipped with all the latest improved machinery and tools for the accomplishment of the products turned out here. Employment is given to none but skilled mechanics, only the best of material is used, and the goods turned out are unsurpassed for quality, reliability and workmanship. The proprietors are thorough business men, and understand to a nicety every detail of their growing business. They are men of the soundest judgment and marked executive capacity; they have achieved an honorable success and an enviable reputation as public spirited citizens and capable financiers. We cheerfully recommend this house to all wishing goods in their special line, knowing that you will receive goods just as represented and prices right

Luverne, Minn., June 6th, 1896.

Shoemaker Incubator Co., Freeport, Ill.

Messrs:—When I purchase an article that is good, I like to tell the makers so. We have just gone through the heaviest rain, accompanied by the most wind that I can remember, and my brooder has done its duty. Am well pleased with it.

Yours, etc.,

W. A. SHELHAMER.

Lakeville, Litchfield Co., Conn., May 14th, 1896.

Shoemaker Incubator Co., Freeport, Ill.

Gentlemen:—The Incubator purchased of you in April came all safe in due time. Our first hatch did exceedingly well, 90 per cent. of the fertile eggs, and the Brooder beats the old hen out of her vocation in that line complete.

Yours truly,

F. F. REED.

Leavenworth, Kans., April 22d, 1896.

Shoemaker Incubator Co., Freeport, Ill.

Gentlemen:—I have the only successful Brooder in town, and I got that from you. It cost me \$13.50 all told, and I would not take \$25.00 for it at present.

I am, yours respectfully,

D. A. CHACEY.

Hughsville, Lycoming Co., Pa., June 20, 1896.

Gentlemen:—The Brooder I got from the Shoemaker Incubator Co. is all O. K. and am well pleased with it.

Yours very respectfully,

B. O. KAUFMAN

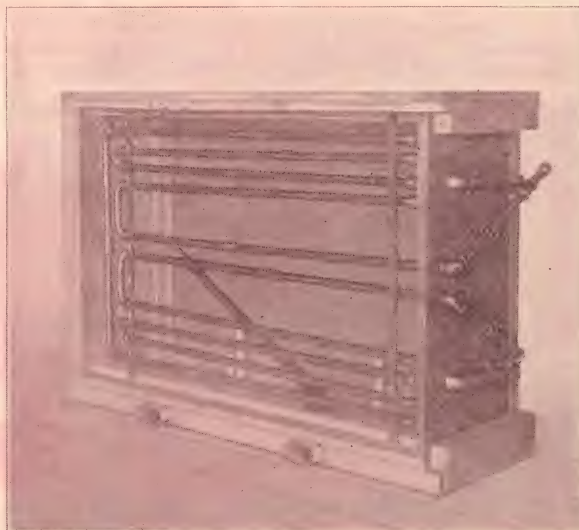


OUR BRASS, COPPER, AND METAL ROOM.

This illustration shows the inside case of Incubator containing pipes, laying on the side with the top removed so as to expose to plain view the system of pipes by which it is heated.

By a close and careful examination you will be convinced of the superiority of our heating device over all others and you will concede it to be the most durable, practical, and common sense method for heating an Incubator. The two pipes which you see at the end running at angles from each other are hot water pipes, and the two running straight are ventilation or cold air pipes.

All correspondence and orders for Incubators, Brooders, and Poultry supplies should be addressed to the SHOEMAKER INCUBATOR CO., Freeport, Ill., U. S. A.



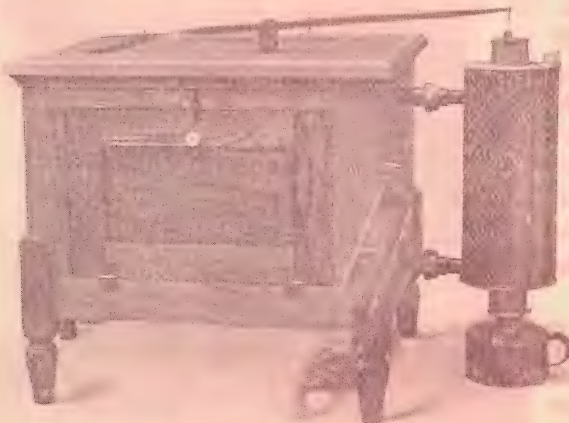
SHOEMAKER INCUBATOR CO., FREEPORT, ILL.



CONSTRUCTION ROOM.

In this department all machines are carefully put together and tested.

The illustration of our small Incubator, which you see here, shows the finest small machine yet invented. It is as simple as ABC. Any boy can operate it, yet it is built just as durable as the larger machines, and on the same principle as the larger machines, **HOT WATER PIPE SYSTEM.**



This machine is adapted for the use of those who have not the room for a large one, and do not wish to raise a large number of chickens.

It is a machine that sells at sight, as it is just the size that most people want for hatching chickens just for their own use, and for pastime. It holds 60 eggs, works like a charm, and the price of this machine all complete is only \$10.00.

If you are in need of an Incubator and do not wish to invest a large sum, we would advise you to try this machine. It will please you.

SHOEMAKER INCUBATOR CO., FREEPORT, ILL.

This illustration is made from a photograph the same as all others, and represents three different sizes of the **Globe Incubator**. First one on top is the **Baby Incubator**. It holds 60 eggs. The second or middle one, of which Harry, son of C. C. Shoemaker, has hold of the lamp, represents the 100 egg size. The third or last one represents the 200 egg size Incubator.

All three machines are the same in the system of heating, of ventilation, of self regulation, and they are all constructed from the same material, and have the same finish.

Our Incubators are all supplied with sufficient and proper moisture; ventilation is perfect; the degree of heat is uniform in all parts of egg chamber, and all machines are supplied with a good regulator, which is a guard against over heating.

Our method for turning the eggs is very simple, and it requires but a moment's time. excepting the **Baby Globe**, which holds but 60 eggs and they must be turned once a day by hand. However, the eggs should be aired from 10 to 15 minutes each day and it requires just about that time to turn the eggs by hand, hence by the time you have them turned they are ready to place in the machine again where it is warm.

There is no danger of eggs cooling off so they will not hatch, but the most eminent danger is their getting too warm, which smothers the chick in the shell.



This illustration represents our **Baby Globe Incubator** with both the doors open, exposing to view the interior of same. This machine is a marvel of perfection is the verdict of all who have seen and used it.

Shoemaker Incubator Co., City.

Freeport, Ill., July 27, 1896.

Gentlemen:—Having purchased from you a **Globe Incubator** and **Brooder** sometime ago, and thinking possibly you would be interested in learning of our success with same, I write to inform you that we are well pleased with both the **Incubator** and **Brooder**. First hatch, from 200 eggs placed in the machine, we got 130 strong chicks, which we think was doing very well. While the incubator is a well constructed and finely finished machine, the **Brooder** is also a remarkable success. For raising the young chicks, it is far ahead of the old mother hen, and it is so well made that it will (with proper care) last almost a lifetime.

Yours respectfully,

D. M. Brubaker.

All correspondence and orders for Poultry and Eggs should be addressed to
C. C. SHOEMAKER, Freeport, Ill., U. S. A.

REMEMBER our Brooder may be used either out doors or in doors with perfect safety. The heaviest rain or wind storm will not affect it as the lamp cannot blow out, and again it is so constructed that it is not a difficult matter to keep it warm; the chicks grow rapidly, and are vigorous, as most of the heat is supplied from the top, hence, there has never been a case of leg weakness seen among the chicks that were raised with a Globe Brooder.



ILLUSTRATION NO. 1.

You will notice the glass window placed in the door frame on the top of the Brooder, which furnishes light for the chicks, and through which they may be seen without opening said door.

In the illustration No. 2 may be seen two windows which furnish light for the chicks in the nursery, and you can also see the heating pipes through said windows, which are placed in a horizontal position, and are the means pro-

The accompanying illustration represents the 200 chick size, showing the position of the lamp in the lamp chamber. As you will notice, the door which is constructed of galvanized iron is raised, which exposes to view the lamp as before stated, in the lamp chamber.

The doors at the side of the Brooder are also constructed of galvanized iron, which are hanged at the top by metal cleats, and are opened by sliding them from each other.



Illustration No. 2, showing side farthest away from door

vided for the heating of the Brooder by the hot water system, as there is a constant and perfect circulation of hot water through the pipes, which produces sufficient heat for the chicks.

In illustration No. 3 we have the Globe Brooder showing the curtain which divides the nursery from the feeding room. You will notice an incline board to which the curtain is fastened. This board is fastened with three hinges so that it may be raised or lowered, which is very convenient in looking after the welfare of the chicks.



Illustration No. 3, showing top glass door open, also the two metal doors at the side open.

Shoemaker Incubator Co., Freeport, Ill.

Morristown, Shelby Co., Ind., July 20, 1896.

Gentlemen: — Since we received your Incubator and Brooder we are very favorably impressed with both. We think everybody should have them. The Brooder seems to be a perfect arrangement, while the Incubator is a fine arrangement indeed. It is an easy matter to keep up the proper temperature, about 103 degrees in the egg chamber. Our last hatch, 200 eggs, we bought of a neighbor and only hatched about 100 chicks, balance of eggs were rotten. For the rotten eggs, I believe, the Incubator is not to blame. Of former hatchings of our own eggs we raised from 140 to 160 good healthy chicks. I am confident that I shall sell several Incubators for you between now and spring.

Yours very truly,

Chas. F. Muth.

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HOW TO MAKE MONEY.

We are all aware that there is a general depression felt all over this land, and values on farm products have been greatly reduced, so that there is but little profit left for the producer. But not so with the values on poultry; the price in the market for chickens is higher to-day than it was one year ago, and it will be no less, until we can raise enough to supply our home demand, which will be a long time to come.

There has always been 50 per cent. profit in raising poultry for the market, and it is not an uncommon thing to make 100 per cent. profit on raising chickens for the market, and you always have a ready sale for all you have to sell at good prices. And it does not require a large amount of money to start raising chickens, neither does it require much room; any one with a back yard can make enough money each season by raising chickens to nearly support his family. What can you do to pay you better than to use your spare moments in looking after some fine young chicks, that are developing rapidly into dollars, that could not be obtained in any other way so easily? Now to assist you in this way of making money, we are going to offer you the best Incubator in the world to hatch your chicks with, and the best Brooder in the world to care for the chicks after they are hatched. These machines are the result of many years' experience in the poultry yard, hatching and raising chickens both for the market and breeding purposes, and we will give you the benefit of our experience, which we are confident you will appreciate.

We do not wish you to class our Incubators and Brooders with the ordinary cheap ones that the market is flooded with to day, as our machines, both Incubators and Brooders, are no cheaply constructed affairs, thrown together with any kind of material, but are built from the ground up with the very best material that money can buy, and on practical and common sense principles, which the most skeptical will admit, and the verdict of every one is this: I don't see how you can make a machine like that for the money you are selling them.

But the secret is right here, we are selling the best Incubator and Brooder that has ever been offered to the trade, at almost the same price that the poorest machines are sold for, and when you once see our machines you will buy no other.

Twelve Reasons for Using an Incubator.

Because you can hatch chicks any time.

Because prices are as high to-day as they ever were.

Because the supply never has been, nor is now, equal to the demand.

Because there has never been an over supply of poultry on the market.

Because it requires a very small investment to realize a good large income.

Because you can hatch them in large numbers with but a nominal expense.

Because you have less trouble hatching with an Incubator than with the hen.

Because you can hatch the chicks when you can get the most money for them.

Because raising poultry pays better than corn, oats or most of the farm products.

Because you can keep your hens laying all the time if you do not let them hatch.

Because hatching chicks with the Incubator is a labor saving and a money making business.

Because you can hatch chicks during the coldest weather by placing the Incubator in the cellar.

Shoemaker Incubator Co., Freeport, Ill.

Belvidere, Ill., Aug. 13, 1896.

Dear Sirs:—I bought of you last February one 200 egg size Incubator, and Brooder to go with it. We took out egg turner, putting in three hundred eggs. Hatched two hundred and twenty-nine chicks. I did not lose a chick till severe warm weather, then only a few young ones from heat. I am well pleased with both machines. With reasonable care I think there is but little danger of failure with the "Globe Incubators and Brooders." A neighbor has another make, the tank sprung a leak in hatching time, doing much damage. No danger of that with yours. We expect to duplicate our order this fall.

Respectfully,

M. E. Sawyer.

Shoemaker Incubator Co., Freeport, Ill.

Larimer, Pa., Aug. 25, 1896.

Gentlemen:—The Globe Incubator purchased from you does much better than I expected an Incubator would do. I don't want any but the Globe machine, for there is none to beat it, and you need not lose any sleep with it, as it hatches and works first-class.

Yours truly,

A. Holdsworth.

SHOEMAKER INCUBATOR CO., FREEPORT, ILL.

PRICE LIST OF
GLOBE INCUBATORS AND BROODERS.
F. O. B. Freeport, Ill.

INCUBATORS.

260 egg size	\$28.00
200 egg size	24.00
160 egg size	20.00
100 egg size	17.50
60 egg size	10.00

BROODERS.

260 chick brooder	\$14.00
200 chick brooder	12.00
100 chick brooder	9.00

OUR TERMS STRICTLY CASH.

Nothing sent C. O. D., but if half the amount of the purchase price is sent with the order, we will ship machine or machines, and you can pay the balance upon receipt of them. All our machines are warranted as represented, and if not perfectly satisfactory after first hatch is made they may be returned, and we will refund money less the freight charges. However, machines must be received in good condition.

Send Money

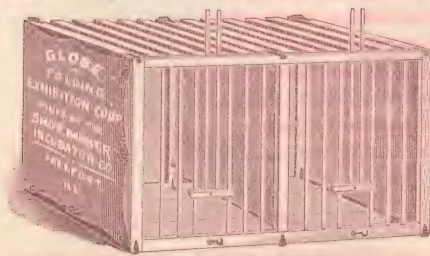
Either by Draft, Express Money Order, Post Office Money Order or Registered Letter. Never send money loose in a letter, as we cannot stand good for money sent that way.

PRICE LIST OF EXTRAS.

Tested Thermometers each . . . \$.65	Boiler for Baby Incubator . . . \$3.00
Thermostat Bar 14-inch . . . 1.25	Boiler for Brooder . . . 3.00
Thermostat Bar 20-inch . . . 1.40	Central Draft Lamp Large . . . 1.50
Thermostat Bar 24-inch . . . 1.50	Central Draft Lamp Medium . . . 1.50
Boiler for Large Incubator . . . 3.50	Lamp for Baby Incubator75
Wicks for C. D. Lamps each10	

THE GLOBE FOLDING EXHIBITION COOP.

This is the best and most conveniently arranged coop placed upon the market. It is simply a marvel of perfection. It can be folded together in less than one minute so that it can be put away in a very small space. Each part is hinged to the other in such a manner as to make it the simplest and most durable of any coop we have yet seen.



As you see it in the accompanying illustration, it has a partition placed in the center, dividing the coop into two compartments, leaving ample room to show two pairs of fowls, one in each compartment. Or, should you desire to show a breeding pen, you can swing the partition back against the back part of the coop as it is fastened with hinges to the back frame, and it takes but a moment to

change from a coop to show a breeding pen, to a coop to show two pairs. It is constructed from the very best material, the frame being made of selected pine, and the front part of the best hard maple spindles, one half inch in diameter. First premium won wherever exhibited.

We furnish the coops with canvas, everything complete, ready to show, at the following prices:

1 Coop	\$ 3.00	12 Coops	\$30.00
6 Coops	16.50	24 Coops	54.00

BONE AND SHELL.

Poultry raisers should not neglect to use sufficient raw bone, either crushed or in the form of meal. It contains lime as do oyster shells, but it also contains animal matter which is of great value. Bone when burnt is of comparatively little value, but when crushed or ground raw, supplies value peculiar to itself.

All classes of fowls are extremely fond of it, and no one should think of trying to keep or raise poultry without feeding it liberally. Care should be taken to have it pure and sweet. It is good for all classes and ages of poultry. For young chicks it should be used in the form of meal, mixing a small quantity two or three times a week with their soft feed, say a handful to a quart of meal.

Oyster shell is also good for fowls, especially the laying hens, as it furnishes grit to digest the food, and if kept before the hens at all times, they will lay eggs with good hard shells, so there will be less danger for hens to form the habit of eating eggs, owing to the fact that eggs with soft shells have been the cause in most instances of the hens forming the habit of egg eating.

PRICE OF BONE MEAL AND OYSTER SHELL.

BONE MEAL.

50 pounds	- - -	\$1.80
100 "	- - -	2.40
200 "	- - -	4.25

GRANULATED BONE.

50 pound sack	- - -	\$1.80
100 " "	- - -	2.40
200 " "	- - -	4.25

CRUSHED OYSTER SHELL.

50 pound sack	- - -	\$.75
100 " "	- - -	1.25
200 " "	- - -	2.00

OYSTER SHELL MEAL.

50 pound sack	- - -	\$.75
100 " "	- - -	1.20
200 " "	- - -	2.00



GLOBE DRINKING FOUNTAIN.

This illustration of a Drinking Fountain does not convey an idea of the great benefit which is derived from the use of a first-class fountain. This is very strong, durable and convenient. It is constructed from the very best quality of galvanized iron, so that it will last almost a lifetime. It is something no poultry man can afford to be without at the price we are selling them.

2 quart size for Brooders	- - -	\$.40
1 gallon size	- - -	.75
2 gallon size	- - -	1.00
3 gallon size	- - -	1.25

WIRE NETTING.

No one can afford to build anything but a wire fence for his chickens. It is the cheapest, most durable, and will improve the value of any poultry farm at least 20 per cent.

We sell all kinds of netting for poultry, lawn and stock fences, but we quote prices only on poultry netting.

Prices on other fences furnished upon application.

Best galvanized netting for poultry fences, No. 19 wire, in rolls 150 feet long,

2 feet wide, per roll	-	\$1.65	4 feet wide, per roll	-	\$3.20
3 feet wide, per roll	-	2.50	5 feet wide, per roll	-	4.00
6 feet wide, per roll	-	\$4.75			

The above prices are subject to change, and for convenience of those living east or south of Chicago we would say we can ship direct from our Chicago house is so desired.

SHIPPING COOP.



The shipping coop, as you see it here in the accompanying illustration, is constructed very light and durable; it is made from the best pine lumber, and the sides and ends are slatted up with thin slats placed about $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches apart which may be covered with muslin, in fact we always do cover the coops as the fowls are then protected from cold draughts in transit. The bottoms of the coop are $\frac{1}{4}$ inch in thickness, and made from white pine which is very light, and yet sufficiently strong to carry any distance in the best shape. We nail the slats on the perpendicular pieces, both on the ends and the sides, so that all that is required to complete the coop ready for using, will be the nailing the sides and ends together, and nail the bottom on, also the slats on top as they are sent loose with the coop. We ship them in the knock down, which makes the expense of transportation much less than if they were shipped set up ready to use.

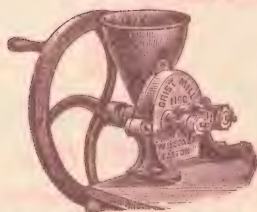
	Single Bird.	Pair.	Trio.	Six Birds.
One coop -	\$.25	\$.30	\$.35	\$.50
Six coops -	1.20	1.50	1.75	2.50

Family Grist Mill, No. O:

WEIGHT, 30 POUNDS.

PRICE, \$5.00.

Diameter of Hand Wheel, 20 inches.

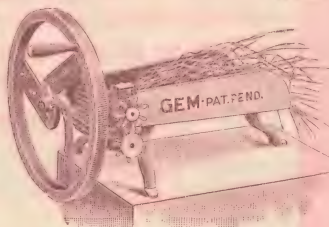


This mill is especially made for grinding Graham flour or corn meal for table use. It can also be adjusted for cracking the grain if desired. It is a valuable implement to have in the kitchen, as you can have fresh Graham or corn meal when wanted. The mill is not to be compared to those made on the old style coffee mill principle. The grinding surfaces are of very hard material especially made for this purpose, and are ground off perfectly true on emery wheels, and will last for years. The shaft is made of steel and will not bend or break. We publish the following unsolicited letter which is only one of the many which we receive.

Dear Sirs:—I received the mill safe and sound and am well pleased with it. I could not do without it; it is the very thing we need in this western country. I live 40 miles from a mill. The neighbors like it, and I think you will get an order from several of them in a few days.
W. D. KETHAN. Double Mountain, Texas.

The "GEM" Clover Cutter

FOR HAND USE.



PRICE, \$9.00. Weight 50 lbs.



PRICE, \$10.00. Weight 70 lbs.

ALL iron and steel. Best in the world. Cuts green or dry, fine, even and easy. This is not a cheap cutter, gotten up to last a year and then thrown aside. No pains have been spared to make every part in the most substantial way possible. It has screw feed and adjustable cutter bar, which can be taken out and sharpened or replaced. The steel knives are so arranged that they can always be kept square to the cutting bar, making a clean cut. They can be taken out, sharpened and replaced in a few minutes. The shafts are also of steel and the workmanship first class in every particular. The cutter with short legs is intended to set on a bench or table, while the long legs stand on the floor. The difference in price is \$1.00. Every machine is fully warranted. Notice two of our many Testimonials:

Gentlemen:—The "Clover Cutter" came through all right. We set it up and it worked splendid. Sold another to a party who saw it work. Please ship another of the same kind. Yours, etc.,
Yardley, Penna.,
PICKERING & STOCKTON.

Dear Sirs:—I am highly delighted with the Clover Cutter. It cuts fast, green or dry, fine, even and easy. I will recommend it highly to everybody that desires to purchase one. Yours truly,
Frankfort, Kentucky,
WM. F. NICKLES.

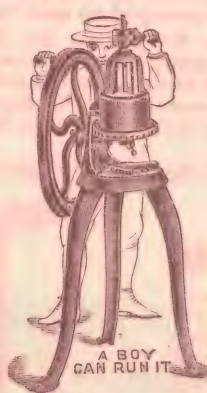
MAN'S BONE CUTTERS.

Unequaled and unapproachable. Absolutely without a peer. The only low-priced Bone Cutters on the market. The only Bone Cutters that received the highest award at the World's Fair.

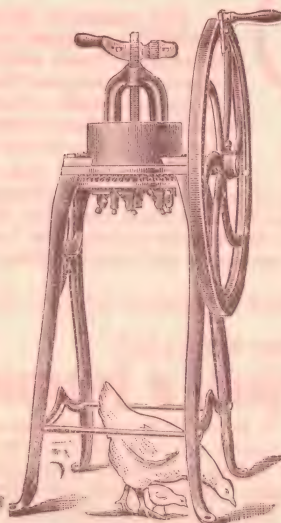
Following is one of many testimonials.

Your No. 3 is a perfect machine. My twelve year old boy thinks it nothing but fun to run it. Egg produce has more than doubled and grain ration has been reduced one-half. Thanks for fair dealing.

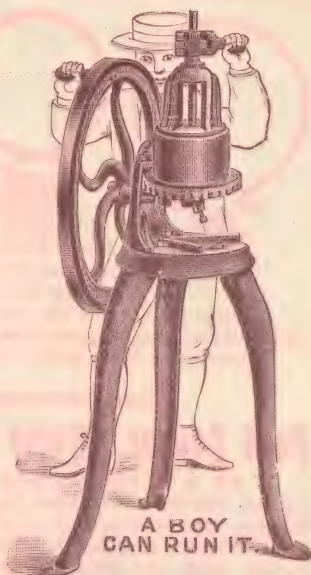
Yours truly,
C. P. Dickerman,
Mallet Creek, O.



No. 1.



No. 2.



No. 3.

Price of Bone Cutters.

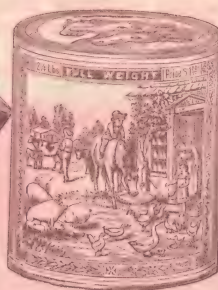
No. 1 with Balance Wheel.....	\$ 8.75.
No. 1 with Balance Wheel mounted.....	12.50.
No. 2 Standard, weight 142 pounds	23.00.
No. 3 with Balance Wheel, weight 75 pounds.....	15.00.
No. 3 with Balance Wheel mounted, weight 100 pounds.....	18.75.

MAKE HENS LAY CHICKENS

Keep Your

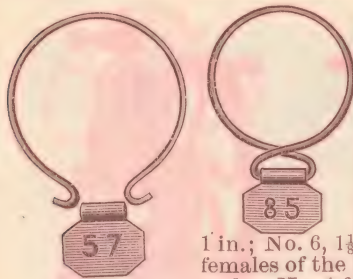
CHICKENS

strong and healthy by using **Sheridan's Condition Powder**. It is absolutely pure; Highly concentrated; Most Economical, because such small doses; No other kind one fourth as strong; In quantity costs less than one-tenth cent a day per hen; No other made like it. It gets your pullets and old hens to laying early. It prevents all disease, Cholera, Roup, Diarrhoea, Leg-Weakness, Liver Complaint and Gapes. Large Cans



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WILL
MAKE HENS LAY
LIKE
SHERIDAN'S CONDITION POWDER

are Most Economical to buy. Six, \$5.00. It is a Powerful Food Digestive. Therefore no matter what kind of foods you are using always give with them **SHERIDAN'S CONDITION POWDER**. It assures perfect assimilation of the food elements, needed to maintain health, produce eggs, and assist in forming new plumage. It is worth its weight in gold when hens are moulting. Those who get best results from using Sheridan's Condition Powder are those who commence with little chickens, giving small doses twice a week; then a little larger doses, and so on to time when getting the pullets ready for early fall laying, a dose say of one teaspoonful to each pint of food, and so continue to use it, as one customer says she does, namely, "from the cradle to the grave," and you will succeed nine times in ten, and have plenty of eggs to sell in the early winter when prices are highest. We send post-paid one pack for 25 cents; Five \$1. A two pound can \$1.20; Six cans \$5.



The Climax Leg Bands.

For neatness, lightness, security and durability the **CLIMAX BANDS** are ahead of all others. No tools are required to put on or remove them and they have no sharp edges or exposed ends of wire to cut your fingers or injure the fowl's leg or feathers. The rings are made of spring brass and so bent that the tag acts as a clasp, holding them securely in place. Not more than three letters or figures can be stamped on each tag.

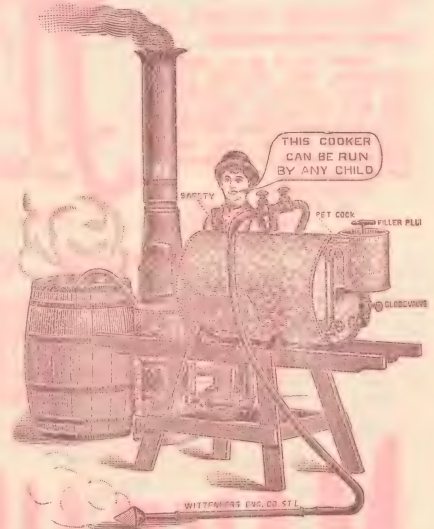
Sizes: No. 1, $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; No. 2, $\frac{3}{4}$ in.; No. 3, $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; No. 4, $\frac{3}{4}$ in.; No. 5, 1 in.; No. 6, $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. Use No. 1 for bantams; No. 2 for fowls of the American class, females of the French class, etc.; No. 3 for males of the French class and Asiatic females; No. 4 for Asiatic males; Nos. 5 and 6 are for turkeys.

Prices post paid, 30 cts. per doz.; per twenty-five, 50 cts.; per fifty, 90 cts.; per hundred, \$1.75. Discount on larger quantities.

Terms cash with order. Send remittances by P. O. Money Order, Registered Letter or N. Y. Draft.

THE IMPROVED RELIABLE Feed Cooker, Water Heater & Evaporator.

AS A FEED COOKER it saves from one-third to one-half of the feed, or makes the same amount go that much farther, and at the same time doing the stock more good. It will boil water in ten minutes. It will scald the hair off a hog with the steam from the nozzle, so you will not have to heat the water to dip the hog in. It will cook 25 bushels of corn in two hours, and will evaporate apples dry enough to sack in one hour and twenty minutes. It will boil a bucket of water in one minute, and is unsurpassed as a *steam generator*. It has no equal for scalding hogs, milk cans, washing clothes, heating water to wash buggies, harness, barrels, bottles, scrubbing and various other purposes where hot water is needed. Two barrels of feed may be cooked at the same time by adding two globe valves on the T. By doing so you can cut off either hose you wish. Can also cook feed and wash clothes at the same time. *Will burn wood or coal.* The entire Cooker with the exception of the stove pipe, is made of No. 18 galvanized steel. All principal parts are riveted, so there is no solder to melt off. It has a water gauge and safety valve, and you cannot blow it up with ordinary usage. It is simple, neat and well built, and there is nothing on the market to be compared with it.—Patented April 16, 1895.



Awarded first premium at the St. Louis Fair, Jersey County Fair and Logan County Fair last year. Took first premium or diploma wherever exhibited where there was a premium or diploma to be obtained.

Price complete as shown.....\$30.00.
Price less one hose and globe valves.....28.00.



CAPONIZE.

Poultrymen can double their profits by Caponizing their Chicks.

The operation is very simple—the instructions so full and explicit that any man, woman or child after a careful reading, will be able to perform the operation. It is highly successful from every point of view. The demand for Capons far exceeds the supply, the price per pound being twice as much as for ordinary chicks. The object of Caponizing is to largely increase the weight of the fowl, causing them, in many cases, to grow as large as turkeys and weighing from 10 to 15 pounds, to make the meat a finer and sweeter flavor and very juicy and tender. Again, Capons are worth \$1.00 to \$1.50 more than Cocks not Caponized. They are much quieter in disposition. A cock in chasing around the yard will run off flesh almost as fast as put on. In the more quiet capon the same amount of food goes to make flesh, bone and profit. With the proper instruments Caponizing is a simple lesson, wholly mastered by a few moments study. Fully realizing the necessity of having proper instruments to supply us with these instruments. This firm is, we think, the oldest of its kind in the United States, located in the very heart of the original Caponizing district, and having been making Caponizing instruments for 40 years they thoroughly understand the proper ones needed. Complete with instructions, \$2.50. In Velvet-lined case as per Engraving, \$2.75. We send Book, "COMPLETE GUIDE FOR CAPONIZING" with every set,

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SHOEMAKER INCUBATOR CO., FREEPORT, ILL.



LAMBERT'S DEATH TO LICE.

A disinfectant Insect Powder is one of the best lice destroyers in the form of a powder that is placed on the market. It is a powerful lice destroyer, and a good disinfectant. Read following testimonials:

2021 Geyer Ave., St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 12, 1896.

I found great success with Lambert's Death to Lice. I will send you an order in the spring and will get some trade for you.

Albert Bommer.

We have used Lambert's Death to Lice this season, and have had the best success we have ever had. We can recommend it to all who wish a remedy for lice.

Dayton, O., Oct. 10, 1896.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Barnes.

Panama, N. Y., Oct. 5, 1896.

Please find enclosed \$1.00 for a 100 ounce package of Lambert's Death to Lice. The other package worked fine. I could not get along without it.

D. G. Cook.

Price List of Lambert's Death to Lice.

5 ounce package	-	\$.10	48 ounce package	-	\$.50
15 ounce package	-	.25	100 ounce package	-	1.00

MICA CRYSTAL GRIT.

Rock Combination of Silica, Aluminum,
Iron, Magnesium.

IN FOUR SIZES, FOR

POULTRY, PIGEONS, CHICKENS, DUCKS, GEESSE, TURKEYS AND BIRDS.

—THE ONLY GRIT—

Containing the elements essential to the good health and egg-producing qualities of the feathered tribe.

If you want your hens to lay. If you want your young chicks to live. No indigestion. No sour crops. No use for patent medicines. The best results from daily use, FEED MICA CRYSTAL GRIT.

TRY IT AND BE CONVINCED.

A 100 pound bag will cost you only \$1.25.



RICE'S LICE PAINT, —

For Killing Lice on Poultry, House Plants and Live Stock.

Rice's Lice Paint never fails to quickly destroy every species of Lice, Mites, Fleas, and Parasites, which prey upon poultry, pigeons, and live stock. It is also a powerful disinfectant. The original and only absolutely sure killer of lice which can be quickly and easily applied without danger to the fowls or the owner.

PRICE $\frac{1}{2}$ gallon 50 cents; 1 gallon 75 cents; 5 gallon can \$3.00.

I thought my fowls had cholera but it proved to be lice, and thousands of them. RICE'S LICE PAINT killed all the lice in short order.

Cleveland, Ohio.

Ella Morse.

Evanston, Ill.

We put a broody hen in a cracker box that had first been painted with RICE'S LICE PAINT. In one hour the hen was taken out, but she left 311 dead lice, by actual count, on the bottom of the box.

Elizabeth Gastfield.

All correspondence and orders for Incubators, Brooders, and Poultry supplies should be addressed to the SHOEMAKER INCUBATOR CO., Freeport, Ill., U. S. A.

Explanatory..❁❁

YOU will notice our Catalogue in the Poultry department remains the same as it was in our 1896. Since we have quite a number left over, we thought it best to use them, as the loss sustained would be too great, if we discarded the entire Catalogue, which in the poultry line will fill the requirements of our 1897 Catalogue quite as well as it did our 1896.

The direct cause of having those Catalogues left over, is owing to the fact, that during the last year times have been very hard for most people. The workingman has been out of employment and when he did get work it was either on short days or short pay. The farmer received but a small pittance for his labor, prices on all farm products had fallen so low, that the more he raised to sell, the more indebtedness was experienced.

Neither the farmer nor the workingman received a just reward of recompense for their labor, hence the two greatest factors on which depends the prosperity of any nation, were, as it were, being struck down with an iron hand. Not only did the laboring classes suffer, but all industries were almost at a standstill, every one lost courage, there was untold misery on all sides, there has been a dire calamity staring us in the face; but every thing has an end, and so has this. A notable change is taking place, we are being ushered into the dawn of prosperity, the scenes of discouragement and misery are being driven into oblivion. Soon every one who wishes employment can get work at good wages. The farmer will get higher prices for his produce, already we notice sharp advances in grain, and not only in grain, but everything that is raised on the farm is commanding higher prices than it did during the last six months ending with September of 1896, and it is only a question of a very short time when we will be enjoying great prosperity, such as we have had in years prior to 1893.

Now I wish to say a word in reference to the price list of poultry and eggs which you will find on page 77 in the Catalogue of the poultry department. We will allow for the season of 1897 a discount of 10 per cent. on all orders for poultry and eggs, but will not allow a special prize on any orders. Remember! 10 per cent. discount will be allowed on all orders for poultry and eggs, but no special prizes given. No discount allowed on eggs after July 1st.

We ship nothing but good stock, or eggs from the best stock there is, and we guarantee satisfaction in every instance, but should any one be displeased in any manner, please write as though you were writing to a man, have confidence that you will be fairly dealt with, and there will be no difficulty to adjust any and all matters that might not be entirely satisfactory, if in the least reasonable. We thank you for your liberal patronage in the past, and rest assured that your interests are our interests, and that our dealings with each other must be mutually beneficial, if we wish to have everything satisfactory. Yours very truly,

C. C. SHOEMAKER.



Light Brahmas.

The Light Brahma by unchallenged right stands at the head of all thoroughbred poultry. During the past thirty years, while all the other breeds have had their "ups and downs," the Light Brahmas have stood their own ground and to-day they are much praised and as highly recommended to the general breeder as they were thirty years ago. Any breed that can stand the test of rivalry so long and still continue to satisfy and please the thousands breeding them, must have qualities of a very high order. They are the largest of all our poultry, and furnish more pounds of flesh and eggs in twelve months than any other breed of fowls on earth. When full grown the cocks weigh from ten to twelve pounds and the hens from eight to ten pounds. They are well adapted for all purposes. They are so gentle, handsome and practical, one cannot help but like them. They are well content in a small yard, and can be kept in a fence three or four feet high.



Dark Brahmas.

The Dark Brahmas are one of the most prominent members of the great Asiatic family. They are very beautiful, especially the female. The plumage of the female is a steel gray with delicate pencillings, except on hackle, where the pencillings are quite prominent, making them a very desirable fowl for the city and town, as the dust and soot will not soil their plumage. The plumage of the cock, although quite different from that of the hen, commands admiration of those who have a taste for the beautiful in nature. No breed is more hardy from the time it picks the shell until ripe in old age than the Dark Brahma. As egg producers they are second to none of the Asiatics. With their great vigor of constitution when young, they feather rapidly and are ready early for the market as spring chickens or broilers. In weight they are about the same as the Light Brahma. Cocks weighing at maturity, when in good condition, from 10 to 12 pounds, and hens when in good condition 8 to 10 pounds. Our breeding stock of this variety are of great merit.



Partridge Cochins.

The Partridge Cochins are the most popular, and to us the handsomest of the Cochins. With many it is the favorite breed. In plumage they are rich and elegant, and so dark as not to become soiled when kept in city yards. They have a beautiful plumage. The hen is a rich brown, with beautiful cross-pencilings of black; hackle, golden or yellow, striped with black, having a downy appearance, and a satisfied motherly bearing. Cocks have solid black breast, back red, hackle and saddle orange red, with fine, well built, symmetrical form, and proud, aristocratic carriage. They are large; cocks weigh 9 to 12 pounds, hens 7 to 10 pounds at maturity. They are easy to rear, extremely hardy, breed remarkably true to feather, are very bulky in shape having yellow legs and skin and sell well in market, excellent layers during the greater part of the year, and their flesh is toothsome, being tender, juicy and presentable in color. They are good sitters and good mothers. They are eminently fitted for either the farmer, cottager, fancier or mechanic, or any one else who desires large and beautiful fowls, quiet and gentle in disposition, and not inclined to roam.



White Cochins.

We herewith present you a handsome illustration of a pair of White Cochins, that are the exact likeness of some of the birds that can be found in our breeding yards this season. Our breeding stock of this variety is strictly first-class in every particular, and to all that might wish to try a good large fowl, I can heartily recommend to them the trial of this grand breed. They are very large and stately in appearance, very good layers, especially in winter, and are hardy both as fowls and chicks. They are quiet and docile in their habits, bearing confinement remarkably well in small enclosures, mature rapidly, and they look fine running on a nice green lawn, being large, fine, erect, and having the princely Cochin style, they present an attractive appearance. The description given the Buff Cochin, in regard to their merits in general, will apply equally as well to the White Cochin.

Soft shells on eggs can be prevented by a liberal use of crushed oyster shell, small gravel and old mortar; put it in a box placed where the fowls can eat of it at will. Granulated bone is also very good to make hard shells on eggs and will also promote laying to a great extent.

Give fowls plenty of fresh water in summer and place it where the rays of the sun do not strike it. Warm stagnant water promotes disease among poultry.



Buff Cochins.

The Buff Cochin is the oldest of the Cochin family. They are pure and princely Asiatics, coming from the Orient—the starting point of all good, where we find the first habitation of the human race, and the beginning of the Christian era. Dr. Spaulding says the Buffs were once the awe-inspiring Shanghai, whose clarion crow shook the western continent some 40 years ago. The Buff Cochins are elegant fowls, being compact, good layers, good sitters, good mothers, and are well adapted to confinement in small enclosures or yards.

They are very large and broad, ranking in size with the Brahmas, are very hardy, both as chicks and fowls, it being seldom that sickness of any kind is found among them. They are well adapted to cold climates, being quite heavily feathered, and not having very large combs and wattles, so that they are not apt to get frostbitten in the severest of weather. In color, they are a rich buff, which makes them a suitable fowl for country, village or city. They are of very quiet habits, will not fly over a fence 4 feet high, which makes them very desirable, as it insures comfort to your neighbors, and you have the satisfaction of living in peace with those around you. They are good winter layers. Early hatched pullets will begin laying in December and lay all winter.

Size of cocks, when matured (in good flesh) will weigh from 9 to 12 lbs. Hens from 7 to 10 lbs, however in many instances they have attained much greater weights than those given. Our stock is first-class in every respect, and should you be in need of something good, you will find it here.



Langshans.

The Langshan belongs to the grand old Asiatic class of fowls. No variety of fowls has risen to distinction and prominence more rapidly than has the Langshan. They have gained the entrance to the front ranks in the poultry fraternity. Langshans were imported to this country 21 years ago—origin claimed to have been in the northern part of China. They are very prolific, thrive well in either small enclosures or running at large. The chicks when first hatched are about half white, and quite frequently they will show some white feathers in wings after they are feathered out, but, after they moult those chick feathers, black feathers will come in where the white ones were seen. In color the Langshan is a beautiful green glossy black throughout, which makes it decidedly handsome.

Now as to their laying qualities, we have found them excellent layers, better than the average large fowl. Early hatched pullets will begin laying in early winter and continue throughout the whole winter and will lay reasonably well all spring and summer. However the condition and care of fowls must be taken into consideration, not only in the Langshans but in all breeds. They lay mostly dark-colored eggs, yet they do not lay strictly one color. Some are darker in color often than others, which is no indication of impurity of stock. They are very large in size and well built. Cocks weigh from 9 to 11 lbs. at maturity (if in good flesh). Hens weigh from 7 to 10 lbs. The hens are excellent mothers, very tame and gentle, giving the best of care to their young. Our stock is exceptionally fine.



Barred Plymouth Rocks.

The Barred Plymouth Rocks are so well known the world over that it is almost useless to give a detailed description of them. They are found among the breeds of all fanciers generally. And it is with pride that we can point to this variety of fowls, and claim it to be a pure American breed, with qualities for an all purpose fowl that no other variety possesses. They are vigorous, noted for hardiness of constitution; young chicks grow rapidly, and are ready for market at a very early age. When matured, they are large, ranking next in size to the Asiatics, they have clean legs, beautiful blue barred plumage, are first-class layers, good mothers, but not inveterate sitters, and an excellent table fowl. This breed is undoubtedly one of the most profitable breeds in existence, and is acknowledged, the farmer's fowl. As to market quality we need not call your attention, as the name Plymouth Rock is all that is necessary. Their reputation as an American breed is established and will remain the peer in poultry circles. We have some of the finest stock of Plymouth Rocks that can be found anywhere—birds scoring as high as 95 points. We can furnish some extra fine cockerels of this variety, to mate up breeding stock.

Common hens crossed with thoroughbred roosters will show a decided improvement in your stock, also in the eggs you will gather.



White Plymouth Rocks.

The White Plymouth stands to-day, without any exception, at the head of all general purpose fowls. They are exceedingly hardy and mature very early. Standard weight for cocks, $9\frac{1}{2}$ lbs., hens, $7\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. They dress excellent, having a fine yellow skin and legs, which is admired very much in market poultry. They are of fine build, very stylish, and one of the best laying breeds in existence, laying mostly brown shelled eggs, although the color of them varies from a light to a dark brown. For the market poultryman I can recommend no breed better suited to his wants than the White Plymouth Rocks. Our stock is second to none, scoring from 90 to 95 points.

Our fowls are large and heavy, fine build and stately carriage, and we would invite you to give them a trial and be convinced for yourself of the rare qualities the White Plymouth Rocks possess.

For Roup.—Fumigate your poultry house in the evening, when fowls have gone to roost, with carbolic acid by taking a red hot iron and laying it on a shovel or anything so that you can pour the acid on. This will make the fowls cough and sneeze, so that if there is any mucous substance in their throats they will cough it up, which will help them at once.



Pea Comb Barred Plymouth Rocks.

The Pea Comb Plymouth Rocks originated from sports from the single comb variety, and are the same in size and market qualities as the Single Combs.

This grand new breed is destined to become very popular, not only among fanciers but also among farmers, especially in our northern climates, on account of their frost proof heads. In size, style and plumage they are not unlike the S. C. P. Rocks. Their pea combs give them a gamy appearance. They are splendid layers, and a superior fowl in every respect. Our stock is fine of this magnificent breed, of the celebrated "Babcock" Strains. You cannot miss it by giving them a trial.

Cure Canker by taking the affected ones, isolate them and keep them in a warm place and in clean quarters. Now scrape off the substance that has formed like cheese or some white tough leather in their mouth at the base of tongue or sometimes in windpipe, and apply Sub Sulphate of Iron. Do this daily till cured. Put a little Kerosene oil in drinking water.

In winter the water should always be warmed before given to the fowls to drink. As soon as they are through drinking, if the weather is cold, the remaining water, if any, should be thrown out, to prevent freezing in the water dish or fountain.



Black Javas.

The Java is an old variety of fowls. It is claimed that the Plymouth Rock were bred from the Black Java. Now if the Plymouth Rock have their origin from the Black Java, they must of necessity occupy a front rank. It is an American breed. They will withstand the severest weather in our northern climates. Also are prolific, and thrive just as well in our warmer southern climes.

We have bred the Black Java for many years and find them to be very hardy and vigorous. Chicks thrive well from the time they come out of the shell till old age, maturing very early. We have noticed they are not as apt to take disease as some other varieties, being as near proof against disease as any fowl we have ever seen. They are, we think, about the best layers for a large fowl, laying a dark-colored egg. But not strictly one color, some are a little lighter in color than others. The Java hens make excellent mothers, taking the best care of their young. They are good sitters, but not as persistently broody as are some of the large varieties of fowls.

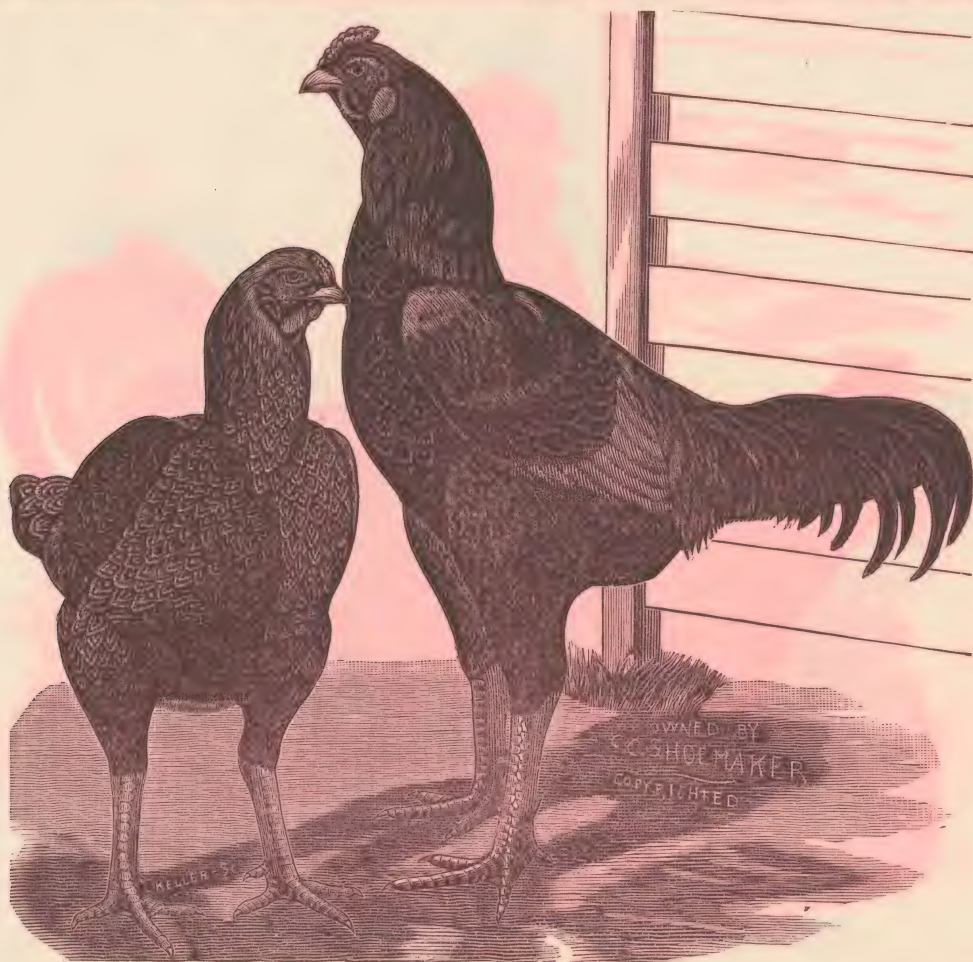
In color the Black Java is what the name implies, black throughout. The cocks are of a lustrous greenish black, about the same as the Langshan. Cocks will weigh from 8 to 10 lbs., hens from 7 to 9 lbs., (in good flesh). They possess rare market qualities having the best possible make up for a valuable market fowl. Breast broad and deep, body long, broad and deep, just the right shape to put on flesh where it is most needed. They have a nice yellow skin, clean legs, which is desired in a market fowl. Our stock are the typical Java, we would advise a trial of them.



Mottled Javas.

The Mottled Java is a pure American breed of fowls; they are not a new variety, but have been bred for a number of years. They possess the same good qualities as does the Black Java. They are very hardy, and bear confinement in small enclosures as well as any variety. Yet if left to roam, they make good foragers. The chicks mature very rapidly and begin laying at from 5 to 6 months old. The hens make good sitters, and also good mothers, being very quiet and gentle. They are good layers, as good as any large variety, laying eggs varying from a dark brown to a light color. In size they rank with the Plymouth Rock or Black Java. Cocks weighing when in good flesh from 8 to 10 lbs., hens from 6 to 8 lbs. In color they are black and white intermixed as the name implies, (Mottled) Javas. Our breeding stock of this variety, as well as all others, are of the very best, and sure to produce fine chicks.

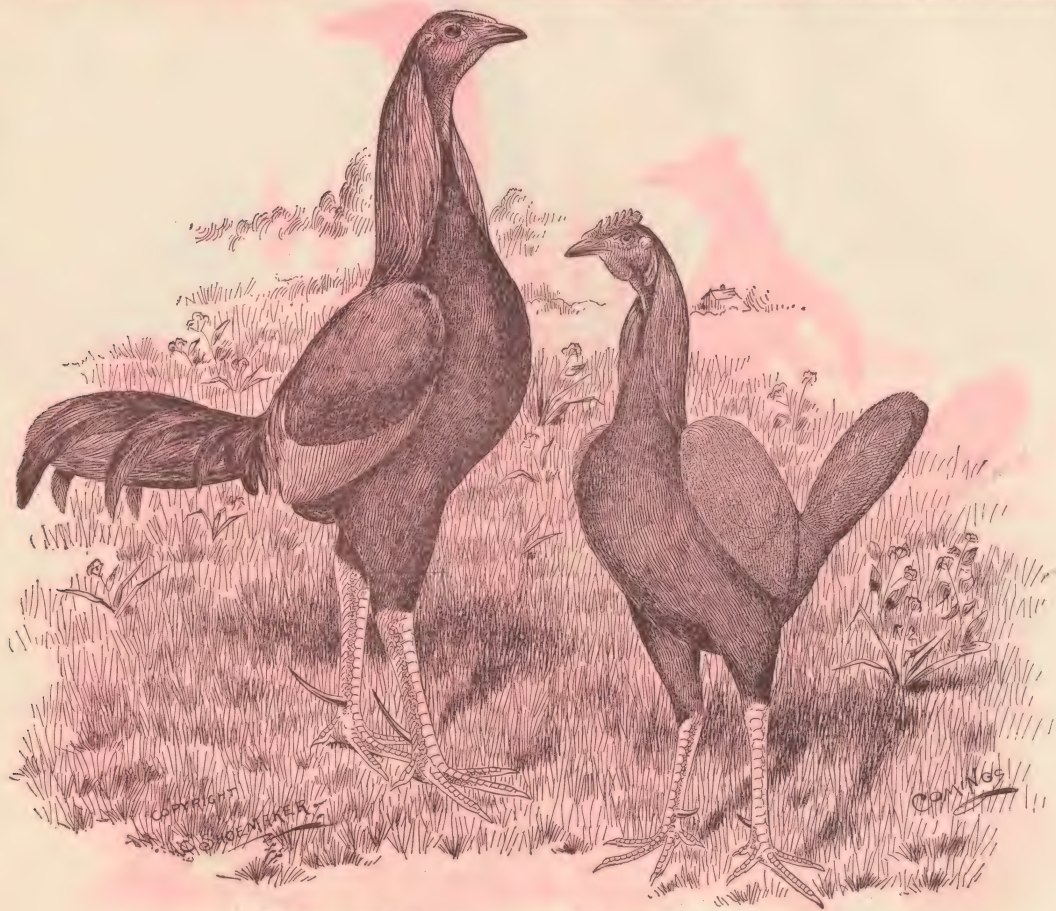
Always buy good breeding stock, the cheapest very often is the most expensive. Buy from men that are reliable and experienced in mating fowls for fine breeding. Buy from men that do business on the square. You can't afford to throw your money away by buying from parties that do not know anything about mating fowls for good results. It will prove a loss to you every time.



Cornish Indian Games.

This is a breed that is gaining public favor very rapidly. It is a good general purpose fowl, having the qualities of a market fowl, i. e., compactness, yellow legs, heavy weight (cocks nine to eleven lbs., hens seven to eight and one-half lbs.), from which there is but little waste in dressing, and being a quick-growing fowl they produce a fine broiler in a short time because they have short feathers, the nutriment required to put feathers on other breeds going to flesh, which is more juicy and tender in this breed than in a young turkey. Their breasts are very full. The Indian Game hens are good sitters and mothers, and the chicks are very hardy. In color the fowls are quite pretty; the bright brown shafts and the glossy green lacing make a beautiful contrast. Here we have a fowl for the market poultryman, the farmer, the broiler raiser, the egg producer and the fancier. The general appearance is that of a powerful bird. Body very broad, thick and compact; flesh, firm and solid. In the male the plumage of the breast and underbody is a green glossy black, neck-hackle same color, with brown crimson shafts to feathers; back and saddle a mixture of rich green glossy black and brown crimson. Wings, chestnut brown, with metallic green glossy black wing-bar. In the hen the ground color is chestnut brown, with beautiful lacings of metallic green glossy black. The legs and skin in both sexes are a very rich, bright, deep orange yellow, which makes them a very desirable market fowl. Face, wattles and comb, a rich red. They are very active, sprightly and vigorous. Carriage, upright, commanding and courageous, the back sloping downward toward the tail. The chicks are hardy and easily raised.

Our breeding birds are all imported, or from imported stock, and are the best this country affords; we are breeding from some of the finest specimens of I. Games this season we ever saw.



Black Breasted Red Games.

The Black Breasted Red Game is the best known, being the oldest breed of Games, and probably bred the most extensive of any variety of the Game family. They stand as peers among all Game breeders, and they justly deserve their due credit. It is hardly necessary to give a full description of this old breed as it is so well known. Now we come to a difficult point; we can scarcely say that they are superior to any other Game, as all Games possess about the same good qualities, and in size they are all about the same, except the Indian Game, they are somewhat heavier than other Games. But they all possess courage and are very hardy and vigorous. The B. B. R. Game is the standard fowl in the Game circle. In color they somewhat resemble the Brown Leghorn, but are larger than the Leghorn. The Games are all good mothers and good sitters, but not inveterate hatchers; and as to the laying qualities of the Games, they are all the same. One variety lays about the same as another, but are not supposed to lay as many eggs as the Leghorn. They range in that line about the same as the Plymouth Rock, Java, or Wyandotte. Young chicks feather very rapidly and grow fast. They are not apt to catch any disease. Our stock of B. B. R. Games are all first-class individual birds; you are invited to give them a trial.

Never breed scrub males to scrub females, always cross the mongrel hen with a thoroughbred male. The result will be surprising. Try it.



Brown Red Games.

Our Brown Red Games are second to none in this country, fine specimens with great vitality, and hardness of constitution. To say they are good layers will not do them justice, as they have proven themselves in laying almost equal to any fowl, and surpassed by few. They are very handsome, the color of male, neck, back and saddle lemon, with narrow stripe of black in the middle of the feathers; breast, ground color black, laced some with lemon; wing bow lemon, wing coverts glossy black, primaries and secondaries black, and tail glossy black. The female, neck lemon with a narrow stripe of black in middle feathers, breast ground color black, evenly laced with lemon, otherwise the plumage is black throughout. They bear confinement remarkably well, are hardy both as chicks and fowls. Chicks grow very fast, and mature quite early. The hens make splendid mothers, taking the best of care of their young. Cocks weigh from 6 to 8 lbs, hens from 5 to 7 lbs. They are a fine table fowl, and dress very nice and presentable.

Our Brown Red Games are good individual birds, having bred them for a number of years we understand how to mate for good breeding.

Pedigree for thoroughbred fowls is impossible. A hen lays too many eggs in a year to think of keeping a record of all chicks hatched and raised from each hen. There is no such a thing as a pedigree for any variety of pure bred fowls.



Red Pyle Games.

The Red Pyle Game is in general make up and quality the same as the Brown Red or B. B. R. Game, only differing in color. They are very courageous and hardy, and to most people not lacking in beauty. Color of cock, hackle and saddle orange, light red or chestnut; breast, shaft and margin of feathers chestnut red, wings white and red, tail white, body white. The hens are mostly white to a creamy white, running darker on breast and wings. We have bred them right in line for a number of years and find them equal to any other of the Game family.

Our stock is in fine condition and are fine individual birds, which is the principal point in breeding fowls of any variety. We are not new beginners but are old breeders, and understand how to mate fowls for best results.

Condition Powder is very valuable to give to fowls in the fall and winter to tone them up. The following is a good receipt:

Capsicum	-	-	-	4 oz.	Fenugreek	-	-	-	4 oz.
Ginger	-	-	-	4 "	Carbonate of Iron	-	-	-	8 "
Salpetre	-	-	-	4 "	Sulphur	-	-	-	8 "
Gentian	-	-	-	4 "	Black Antimony	-	-	-	4 "

Dose, one tablespoonful to every 10 fowls, two or three times a week in their soft feed.



Golden Wyandottes.

We now come to the Golden Wyandottes. This well established variety of fowls we prize very highly. Yet in the general utility of the Wyandotte, the Golden, the Silver, the Black and the White, are all the same. The only difference being in color, now it is only a matter of individual taste as to which breed we like the best in the Wyandotte family.

They are all splendid layers, and that the whole year around, if properly cared for. They lay eggs, in color, about the same as the Plymouth Rock. They make the best of mothers, are good sitters, but not persistently broody. Chicks are hardy, and grow vigorous, maturing very early. Cocks when in good flesh weigh from 7 to 9 lbs., hens from 6 to 8 lbs. The plumage of the Golden Wyandotte is the same as that of the Silver Laced, except in color, the center of feathers being a deep rich golden bay, laced with black, giving them one of the richest colors we have in the feathered race. They well deserve the credit they are now receiving by their great merits unprecedented in the history of any breed. The above illustration is a fair representation of the fine stock I am breeding from this season.



Silver Laced Wyandottes.

The great popularity attained by the S. L. Wyandottes in so short a time is without a parallel, and no other breed is more highly esteemed in America to-day. They have attained public favor entirely on their merits. They are not the coming fowl, but the fowl that has come, and come to stay. For table qualities they can not be excelled. They are hardy, easily raised, mature early, and for broilers just fill the bill. As egg-producers they are excelled only by the "non-setting" breeds, laying large, rich colored eggs. They have beautiful plumage, (see illustration), bright yellow legs and skin, low rose combs, making them especially adapted to our northern climate. They are of good size, with plump bodies, cocks weighing $8\frac{1}{2}$ lbs., and hens, $7\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. The hens are good sitters and careful mothers, but not persistently broody. In fact, this excellent breed combines all the good qualities as a "general purpose" fowl. Our breeding stock of this noted breed of fowls is simply grand. Finer birds are hard to find.



White Wyandottes.

The White Wyandotte, in our opinion, needs no detailed description, as the description given the other varieties of Wyandottes will apply equally as well to the white variety, except in color. In color they are white, as the name indicates, they have bright red wattles and ear lobes, comb is rocker shaped as you see in the above illustration.

They have clean, bright yellow legs, and being white they present a beautiful appearance on a nice green lawn. And while they are attractive, they possess all the good qualities that combine to make a good all purpose fowl. Cocks weigh about the same as other Wyandottes, when in good flesh, from 7 to 9 lbs., and hens from 6 to 8 lbs. We simply give weights about as fowls generally run, there are specimens that often go over the weights quoted. Our stock is fine and of the best strains bred by us for years.

We cannot afford to misrepresent our business even if some one paid us to do it. Our reputation and Christian principles we consider too valuable for money to buy, hence we try to represent things just as they are, or at least as they appear to us, therefore we give you our unbiased opinion on whatever subject we may touch.



Black Wyandottes.

The Black Wyandotte is one of our most valuable fowls, and all because of their good qualities as a general purpose fowl. Their plumage is a beautiful glossy black, which makes them very attractive. They combine all the good qualities of the Wyandotte family, and are more easily bred true to color than their laced cousins, making this variety a very desirable breed to both farmer and fancier.

If you are in search of a good all around fowl, you will find that the Black Wyandotte will come as near to the requirements as any of the older varieties of fowls. They are excellent layers of fine, dark-colored eggs; they, having a nice yellow skin, make a very desirable fowl for market, and in size they are just the right build and weight, hens often reaching the weight of 8 lbs., and cocks 10 lbs. The chicks are very hardy and grow fast, making a good chicken for the early market, when they command the best price. Give them a trial.

To prevent and destroy lice in the nest, while hens are hatching, take Persian Insect Powder and air slaked lime, equal parts. Dust the hen thoroughly and sprinkle the eggs and nest good with the powder. Do this about the 8th and 18th day during incubation. This will rid your sitting hen and nest of lice and chicks will come out strong, and with proper care and feed will grow right along, without much trouble with the dreaded pest, lice.



W. C. Black Polish.

The White Crested Black Polish are a very old variety, belonging to the non-sitting class of fowls. They are more especially bred for fancy than anything else. They are very pretty with their large white crests, yet the crests in many instances are not entirely white as the name indicates. Nearly all specimens have some black in the forepart of crest which is only a common thing. However, there should not be much black for a real fine specimen, otherwise, besides the crests, they are black throughout. They are splendid layers of eggs, medium in size. They bear confinement well. They are not good foragers owing to their large crests, they cannot see well enough, are easily caught by hawks, etc., but for a fancy fowl in town, city, village, or country to keep close around the place or yard they are, we think, very pretty and ornamental. In size they are about the same as the Leghorn. We have bred them for a number of years and find them to breed remarkably well. Eggs usually are fertile and hatch out strong chicks.

CAUSES FOR POOR HATCH.

The following causes of poor hatches may be avoided by careful attention:

Weakly or impotent males; over-fat females; cold weather and exposure of the eggs after being laid; retained too long before being placed under the brood hen; failure to change the position of the eggs day by day; unsteady sitting hens; time required for nervous hens to get down to business, and the required 103 degrees of heat necessary to make a vigorous start of the germ is not kept up for the first three or four days, and thereby weakly chicks are sure to result, which will probably die before the eighteenth or twenty-first day of incubation; the nest may be a cold and windy place, causing the heat to remain at too low a temperature; the brood hen sitting too close. All these dangers can easily be avoided. Judicious feeding and care of the breeding stock and brood hen, as well as careful handling and packing eggs for shipment, is all a breeder can do, and doing this he can conscientiously feel that he has treated his patrons honorably.

All scraps from the table can be used to advantage by giving them to the chickens. Even potato parings boiled are relished by fowls, and are one of the best foods for them.



Golden Polish.

The Golden Polish are the same as the White Crested Black in this that they are a very old breed. They are quite pretty, the color of the hen being a golden bay, each feather ending with a rich black spangle, or is laced with black. The cock, on the breast, is a golden bay, each feather ending with a black spangle, or should be laced with black; so you see that they may either be laced with black or be spangled, either being right and in accordance with the standard. They are splendid layers of eggs, medium in size and usually white in color, yet we find many with a yellowish tint. They bear confinement to small enclosures remarkably well, and like other varieties of the Polish, are not very good foragers, owing to the crest. The Polish generally are not high flyers, hence can easily be kept with an ordinary high fence. We have bred them for some time and find that the chicks grow rapidly and are remarkably hardy. They mature quite early and pullets begin laying when quite young. They are very pretty and for fancy and the egg basket, we know of no breed that is better adapted than the Polish varieties. In size the Golden are the same as the White Crested Black.



Red Caps.

The Red Caps are an old breed having been known in England so long that it would be difficult to trace their origin. However, they are an English breed of fowls and are generally known throughout this country. They have a large red comb from which they derived their name, (Red Caps). In fact their combs are most too large, especially in the more severe climates. In plumage the hen is a nut brown, each feather ending with a blue black spangle. The cocks are black on the breast, but on the back, wing coverts and saddle, they are a mahogany red. They are very pretty, bear confinement to small yards quite well, and are considered non-sitters, but we have seen an occasional one get a little broody but this is seldom the case. In egg production they are about the same as the Leghorns. They are splendid layers of medium sized eggs, ranging in color from white to a darker shade. In weight they are larger than the Leghorn, cocks weighing from 6 to 7½ pounds and hens from 5 to 6½ pounds. We have bred them for many years and we find them to breed very true to color, but will throw off some single comb specimens, which all rose comb varieties will do.

See our offer of Special Prizes on page 71.



American Dominiques.

The Dominique, in color, resembles the B. P. Rock, but is not as large, has a longer tail and a rose comb, while the Plymouth Rock has a single comb. The Dominique is one of the oldest varieties, and a pure American breed. They are very hardy, chicks grow rapidly and mature early. Pullets often begin laying at from 5 to 6 months old. The hens make excellent mothers, and splendid hatchers, not being so clumsy and heavy, they seldom break an egg while sitting. They are one of our best layers of eggs, in color from a light to a darker brown, medium in size. They are a splendid table fowl, many claiming them superior to all others, having a yellow skin, dress well and command the highest price in market. They are very gay, stylish and fine in appearance, are well adapted for confinement in yards, and if left to roam at will, they are good foragers. The color of the plumage being the same as the Plymouth Rock, adapts them to all localities, either city, village, or country, as the soot, smoke and dirt will not mar their appearance. For general utility, they have few, if any, superiors. In weight, they are large enough for most people, cocks weighing from 7 to 8½ lbs., (when in good flesh) hens from 5 to 7½ lbs., making a very nice size fowl for the average poultry man and farmer. Our birds are fine and of the best blood, having bred them for many years, we are confident our stock will please you.



W. F. Black Spanish.

The White Faced Black Spanish belong to the Mediterranean Class, hence are classed with the non-sitting breeds. They have bright red wattles and combs, and face being pure white, they present a striking appearance that is due to them alone, and are admired by many who see them. We think them handsome. Their plumage is a rich glossy black throughout; they are splendid layers of large eggs, mostly white in color, which usually hatch well, as the Spanish possess great vitality. Chicks grow very fast, maturing with good care at an early age. Pullets have been known to begin laying very early and continue laying all winter. They are quite hardy, and bear confinement as well as most breeds do. If left to roam, they are good foragers. We cannot call them a desirable market fowl as they have a white skin, which does not show as well dressed as a fowl does with a yellow skin, yet their meat is fine grained, tender, sweet and juicy. In weight they are about the same as the Black Minorca, viz., cocks weigh from 6 to 8 lbs., hens from 5 to 7 lbs. We have bred them for a number of years and find them to breed remarkably true to color, and a splendid fowl for egg production and trade in general.



Houdans.

Houdans are a French fowl. It is not known just how long they have been in existence, nor is it known who the originator was. However they are a very old breed and are deserving of considerable credit. The Houdan hen is a good layer, her eggs are good size, and in color are white. She belongs to the non-sitting varieties. We have bred them for years, and I do not remember of but a couple of instances that any of them wanted to hatch, which is common among all non-sitting varieties, after they become several years old some of them will get a little broody, but are easily broken. The Houdan has 5 toes, a crest and beard, are shaped much like a Dorking, hence are considered valuable as a fine table fowl, meat tender, juicy and fine flavored. Color of legs of the young is pink, of the old a light gray with sometimes pink on the side. The chicks are decidedly handsome and grow very fast, often weighing 4 and 5 lbs. at the age of four months, but of course the growth depends largely on the food and care they receive. They are remarkably hardy and thrive well under ordinary care. Standard weight for cock is 7 lbs., hen 6 lbs. They are not a higher flyer, will not roam far away, are very tame and docile; can make fine pets of them and are well adapted for small runs. The above illustration is the exact likeness of some of the fowls contained in our flocks, our matings are even and grand.

If you burn hard coal, you will find the ashes in winter a valuable article to throw in the poultry house where the fowls can get at them to dust in; and they will eat a good share of them, which is very beneficial to them both as promoting health and egg production.

Fowls with a discharge at the nostrils may be relieved and cured by injecting up the nostrils, with a small oil can, a solution of equal parts of Sweet Oil, Spirits of Camphor, Kerosene, and Witch Hazel. Remedy should be applied daily until cured.



Black Minorcas.

The Black Minorca is a well established breed of English fowls, belonging to the Spanish varieties and, wherever bred, are considered a valuable breed, are hardy, both as fowls and chicks, easily raised, mature early, and pullets commence laying when very young. They are non-sitters, small eaters, splendid foragers, and without doubt very profitable. Their adaptability to all soils and places, whether in confinement or allowed unlimited range, makes them very popular and suitable to the city fancier as well as the farmer. Their plumage is pure black with a green or metallic lustre. The legs are featherless, clean, and of a dark slate color. The chief and striking ornament of the cock is his comb, which is very large, single, straight as an arrow and evenly serrated; has a large flowing tail, carried somewhat high. The comb of the hen lies over on one side of the face, in a peculiar double fold, similar to that of the Leghorn, but much larger. Wattles are in proportion to the combs. The face is red, but the lobes are of a pure white, and show up very distinctly. They are very stylish, having a stately upright carriage, close, compact body, medium low, and are of a stouter and squarer build than the Spanish. Standard weight for cock 8 lbs., hens 6½ lbs. Our stock is superb, and we think will please you.



White Minorcas.

The White Minorcas are supposed originally to have come from Spain. It is not known just how they originated but as black fowls throw white chicks sometimes it is probable they were originated in that way. As to vitality and productiveness they stand on a level with the Blacks. They are of same build, have coral red faces, white ear lobes, fully as large in size and equally as good layers. The White Minorcas (as the name implies) are pure white in plumage, very gay and attractive, having the true Minorca shape and good qualities in general. Standard weight is the same for them as for the Blacks, cocks 8 lbs., hens 6½ lbs. We have been breeding them for some time and find them worthy of all that is said about them. Our breeding stock is made up of all good individual birds.

No Single breed of fowls will answer all requirements. If you want eggs, it will be well to take some of the smaller breeds. If you want something for market, the larger breeds are best. So if you know what you want it is no hard matter to decide which breed will suit you.



Single Comb Brown Leghorns.

The Single Comb Brown Leghorn, of which we present you herewith a good illustration, is so well known that to give it a detailed description, we consider almost unnecessary. Yet peradventure there are some who are not familiar with their habits, we will summarize their merits. First, we would wish to impress upon the mind of the reader that so far as general usefulness, one variety of Leghorns is not in any way superior to another, as they all possess the same general good qualities and usefulness.

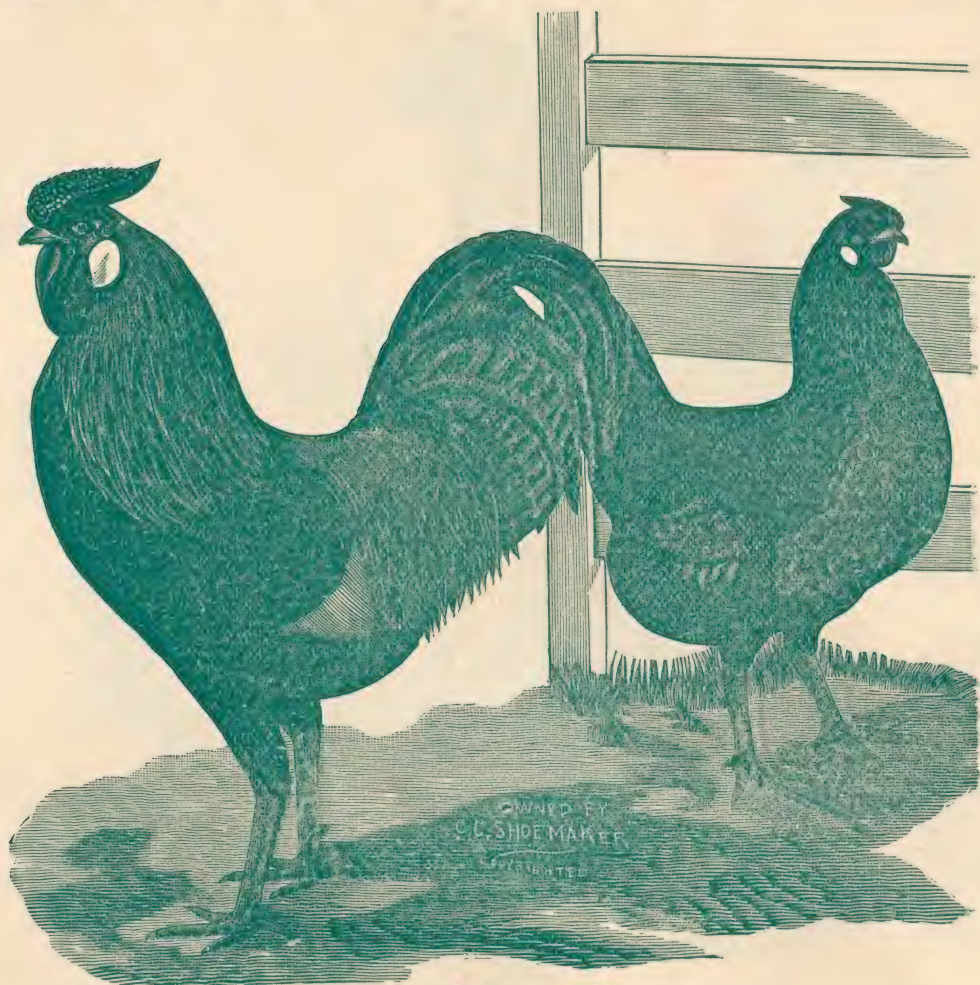
Leghorns are considered the best layers, but so far as our experience goes, we can't say they are the best, but are as good as any, there is no better. The Brown Leghorns have red wattles and combs, white ear lobes, are brown in color, except the cock is black on breast, deep bay red on hackle, each feather should have a black stripe in center, back and saddle a deep bay red, tail black. They have a yellow skin and yellow legs. They are very active and spry, and very hardy both as chicks and fowls. Chicks feather out very fast and grow rapidly, maturing at an early age. Their meat is very tender, sweet, juicy and fine grained. Cocks weigh from about 5 to 6½ lbs., hens from 3½ to 5 lbs. Our stock are all good first-class birds and produce yearly some fine prize winners.



Single Comb White Leghorns.

The Single Comb White Leghorn is in general make up the same as the Brown variety except in color, they are white. Hence the description for the Brown, will answer equally as well for the White, yet perhaps a brief description will not be out of place. They belong to the Mediterranean class, hence are considered non-sitters; they are excellent layers of eggs, white in color and medium in size. Some Leghorn Breeders claim their eggs to be of special fine flavor. However, this depends entirely on what food is given them; if fowls are fed with cabbage, onions, or turnips, their eggs will have an unpleasant taste. For fine flavored eggs, we must feed good, sound, wholesome food, such as corn, wheat, oats, barley, etc.

The eggs of the White Leghorn usually hatch well, as they are very vigorous and prolific. Chicks are quite hardy, and mature at a very early age; pullets often begin laying at the early age of four months. They bear confinement well, but are, if left at will, the very best foragers. In size they are the same as the Brown; cocks weigh from 4½ to 6 lbs., hens from 3½ to 5 lbs. We have bred them for many years. Our stock is first-class, and we know how to mate them to produce fine chicks.



Rose Comb Brown Leghorns.

The Rose Comb Brown Leghorns are very popular, being better adapted to our colder climates than the Single Comb varieties. They combine both usefulness and beauty. As egg producers they are simply the same as all other varieties of Leghorns, being first-class in that respect. We have often noticed the statement made about some breeder's favorite variety, as everlasting layers, egg machines, &c. If there are any fowls to which we can justly apply that term, it is to the Leghorn family.

They have good style, beautiful plumage, and are, generally speaking, very handsome and attractive. The above illustration gives a good idea of their general appearance. They are hardy, chicks easily raised, and mature quite early. Pullets begin laying quite young, if well cared for. In size they rank the same as the Single Comb variety. Cocks weigh about $4\frac{1}{2}$ to 6 lbs., hens $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 lbs. We have bred them for a number of years, and understand how to mate them for fine stock.

Keep lice away by using Persian Insect Powder for chicks. It is good if you use about the same amount of air-slaked lime with it, and it will lessen the cost to a great extent. We will sell you Persian Insect Powder, the very best, postpaid, for 65c per lb.



Rose Comb White Leghorns.

Rose Comb White Leghorns are identical with the Single Comb variety, except that the comb resembles the comb of the Hamburg. They are much admired by poultry fanciers generally. Their freedom from frozen combs makes them more desirable for our northern climates than the Single Comb variety. They are very stylish and attractive, and belong to the non-sitting class of fowls, are splendid layers, same as all other varieties of Leghorns. Eggs are white in color and medium in size. They are very hardy, both as chicks and fowls. Chicks grow very fast. Pullets frequently begin laying at 4 months old. They are a fine fowl for the table, as far as they go, but being rather small we could not recommend them as a valuable market fowl, but so far as turning the dollars and cents your way in the egg production, they stand in the front rank. We have bred them many years, and our stock is choice; we breed nothing but the best.

See our offer of Special Prizes on page 71.



Buff Leghorns.

The Buff Leghorn belongs to the Mediterranean class as does all other varieties of Leghorns. They are quite a new breed, the first ones being imported from England 4 or 5 years ago; consequently they, being new, have not been bred long enough to get the true buff color in all specimens but are being more perfected each year. So that to-day they breed remarkably well, the principal difficulty is to get a solid buff tail and an even buff color throughout on a male. I have seen but few such specimens. But they are one of the last varieties that we should discard. They stand at the head of the Leghorn family, for general utility, are strictly non-sitters. Being but a new variety, they have won for themselves in a very short period the admiration and praise of all leading fanciers. They are promising to outrival their cousins (White and Brown Leghorns) in popular favor, the general make up of the Buff Leghorns being the same as the other Leghorn varieties. They are very stylish, and have the beautiful buff color, which presents a handsome appearance, making them a favorite variety of fowls with most people. They are great layers, equal to any, if not superior to most other varieties, and in size they rank with other Leghorns; they are small eaters, and bear confinement well, and are good foragers when allowed to roam. Our stock is of the best strains in the country, and our matings must surely produce some fine Exhibition Birds.

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Pea Comb White Plymouth Rocks.

This grand new breed is destined to become very popular, not only among fanciers, but also among farmers, especially in our Northern climates, on account of their frost proof heads. In size, style and plumage they are not unlike the S. C. W. P. Rocks. Their pea combs give them a gamy appearance. They are splendid layers, and a superior fowl in every respect. I have a fine pen of this magnificent breed, of the celebrated "Babcock" Strains. You cannot miss it by giving them a trial.

To cure Cholera, take a quantity of white oak bark, boil it in water for one hour, then pour off the liquid in an earthen jar. To every gallon of drinking water add one pint of the liquid. This will check the spread of the disease and is also valuable as a preventive. It will also be found good to put some in the soft feed for the fowls.

The above remedy is very simple and not expensive, yet it is an old and, said to be, a sure cure.

Another Remedy for Cholera is equal parts of Sulphate of Iron, Capsicum, Saltpetre, Alum, Sulphur, Fenugreek and Resin. Dose: To every six fowls, one tablespoonful mixed in the soft food, two or three times a week. It will be found valuable to give occasionally as a preventive.



Blue Andalusians.

The Blue Andalusian is an English breed of fowls, dating way back 50 years, when they had been bred quite extensively in Andalusia, Spain, from whence they derive the name. They belong to the non-sitting class, having bred them some time I have never known one to get in the least broody. As layers they have no superiors, laying the whole year around both summer and winter. In color the eggs are white, and of medium size. They are very hardy, chicks growing very fast, pullets often laying at the age of 4 months; they have red wattles, face and comb, and white ear lobes, are very fine in appearance, gay, stylish, commanding the admiration of all who see them. They are about the same size as the Minorca. However they are not without a fault, they do not breed as true to color as most other varieties do, they throw off a larger per cent. of off colored chicks than any other variety. However their other good qualities make up for this weak point. Our stock is strictly No. 1 birds.

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Golden Penciled Hamburgs.

The Golden Penciled Hamburgs, of which the above illustration gives no adequate idea of their beauty, in color and markings are quite different from either the Golden or Silver Spangled Hamburgs. The ground color in the hen is a golden or buff color, each feather being penciled across with black bars. But in the cock we find a different color—he resembling very much the Rose Comb Brown Leghorn. They are a handsome breed of fowls, and in laying qualities are the same as the other Hamburg varieties. In size and general utility they are identical with the others, so the only difference we have to note, is the color of plumage which is particularly beautiful, resembling the pheasant. Our stock is very fine, and although not bred so extensively as some others, we would ask you to give them a trial.

Never house your fowls too close in winter; always give them plenty of fresh air. If your poultry houses are too close they become damp, and the consequence is, roup sets in, and by spring you have lost perhaps most of your fowls. Always supply plenty of ventilation, but not a cold air draft that strikes the fowls direct, as that would prove just as fatal as dampness.



Silver Spangled Hamburgs.

The Silver Spangled Hamburgs are one of the most beautiful varieties that can be found on the poultry list. No one can pass a flock of them without a glance of admiration. For beauty they are unsurpassed, and too much could not be said of this beautiful breed. As egg producers they stand in the front rank, laying the year around. In color eggs are white, and medium in size. Chicks grow quite fast and mature very early. Pullets often begin laying at 4 months old. They are very small feeders, and bear confinement in small enclosures remarkably well. We do not recommend any of the Hamburg varieties as a market fowl, as they are most too small and have a white skin which is not so desirable in market poultry. But for laying qualities and beauty, they stand on their own merits and cannot be over estimated. Hens will weigh from 3 to 4½ lbs., cocks from 4 to 5½ lbs.

We have bred the Silver Spangled Hamburgs for many years, being one of our first breeds of fine pure bred poultry that we started out with, and are happy to say we have some of the finest specimens that can be obtained anywhere.

Egg eating hens are hard to cure of their base habit. We will give a remedy which is good, but is only a temporary cure. Take those hens that eat eggs and pare off their beaks very close, even if a little blood comes it won't hurt them; then take an egg and lay it down. It is amusing to see them try to break the shell which they are unable to do, owing to the blunt, tender beak. Now while you have effected a temporary cure, remove the nests to a dark place where they cannot see the eggs plainly, and by the time their beaks have grown out and become hard they will have forgotten their vice, and you will not be troubled any further with them eating eggs.



Golden Spangled Hamburgs.

The description of the Silver Spangled answers equally well for the Golden, with the exception of the plumage. Where the Silvers are white on the body, the Golden are rich, bright, glossy red. The tail is solid black.

The Golden Hamburg is very pretty, one of the handsomest varieties of fowls. They are great layers. Eggs are white in color and medium in size. They are equal to the Leghorns in their laying capacity, are non-sitters, and bear confinement in yards or small enclosures as well as any of the smaller varieties of fowls. The eggs usually hatch well. Chicks if properly cared for grow very fast and mature quite early. Pullets frequently begin laying at the age of 4 months. But they are not considered a valuable market fowl, none of the Hamburgs are. Their merit is in their beauty and egg-producing qualities, which head the list. They are considered an English fowl, but their origin has been at Hamburg, Germany. Their weight is from 3 to 4½ pounds for hens, and cocks from 4½ to 5½ pounds.

We have bred them right along in line for a number of years, and consider them profitable as egg producers. Our stock is as good as can be procured anywhere.

In giving remedies for the different diseases among fowls, we aim to give information that can be relied on—that has been tried and found effectual for what it was intended. There are many good remedies for the different diseases among fowls, that are simple, and, if not just on hand, are inexpensive and easily obtained.



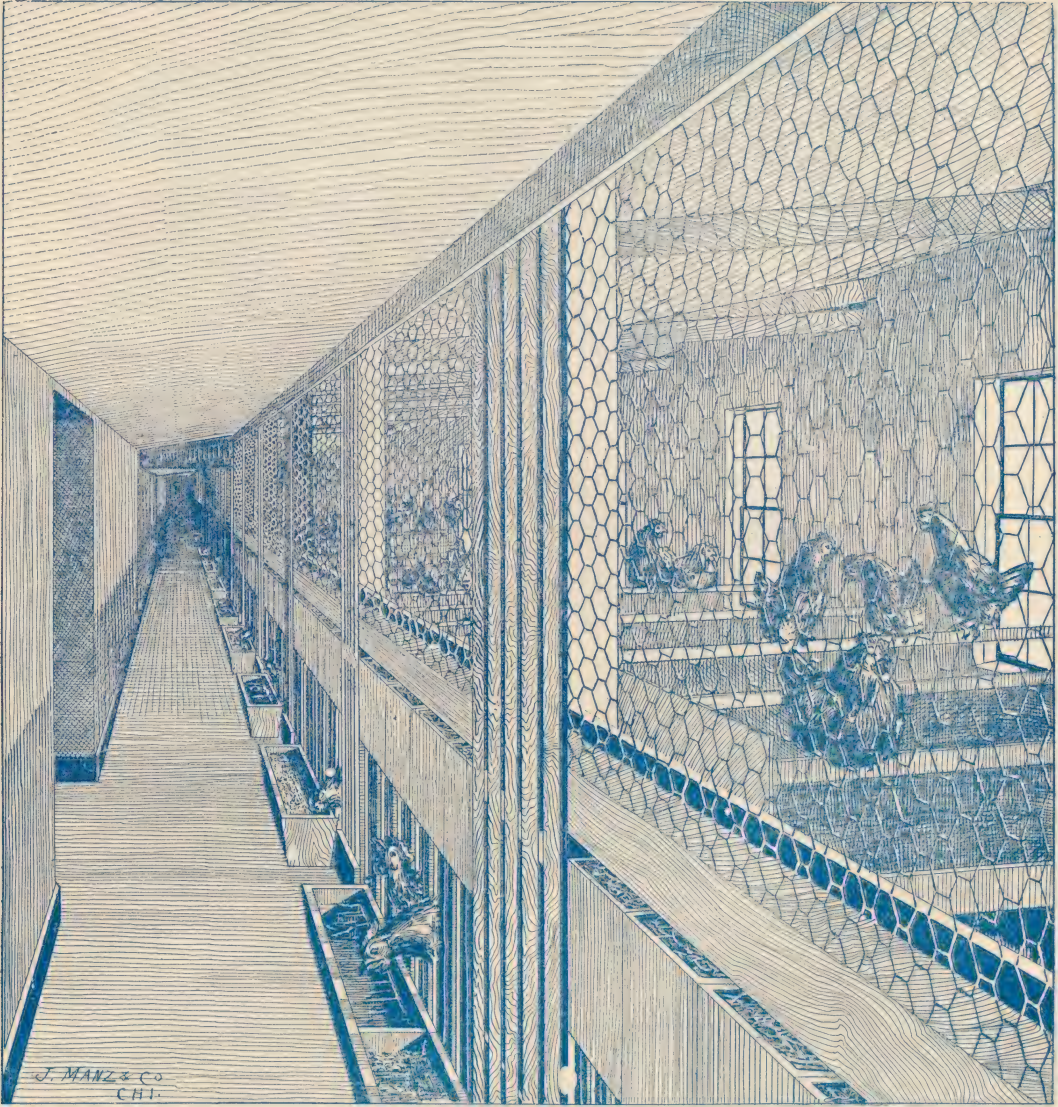
Golden Sebright Bantams.

The Golden Sebright Bantams of which we present herewith the above illustration, is one of the most attractive breeds of all Bantams. We breed but two varieties of Bantams, and in this we have selected the two most popular breeds. No breed among the beautiful pigmies excels the Sebrights in beauty of penciling, and none are prettier pets. In color they are rich golden yellow laced with black markings, being very distinct and clear. We have bred them for many years and find them very hardy both as chicks and fowls, breeding very true to color. They are both useful and a true fancy fowl, excellent layers of small eggs, good sitters and good mothers. They are quite small, standard weight for cock 26 oz., hen 22 oz. They are stylish, active, and no lover of the beautiful can afford to be without them. Our breeding stock is the attraction and admiration of all who see them.



Buff Cochins Bantams.

The Buff Cochins, or Pekin Bantam. The above illustration gives no adequate idea of this beautiful breed of small fowls. In color they are a golden buff, same as the Buff Cochins, except the cock is usually dark, almost chestnut. They are very quiet, tame and docile, making the very finest pets. In size they are just a little larger than the Golden Sebright Bantam, being a little broader and heavier set. All who see them admire them, for their exquisite, unique appearance, and beauty. They are quite good layers of rather small eggs, light in color, are good sitters and good mothers. Chicks are easily raised, are hardy both as fowls and chicks. They bear confinement well, thrive just as well in small enclosures as running at large, are fine pets to have on a nice green lawn where they command the admiration of all who see them.



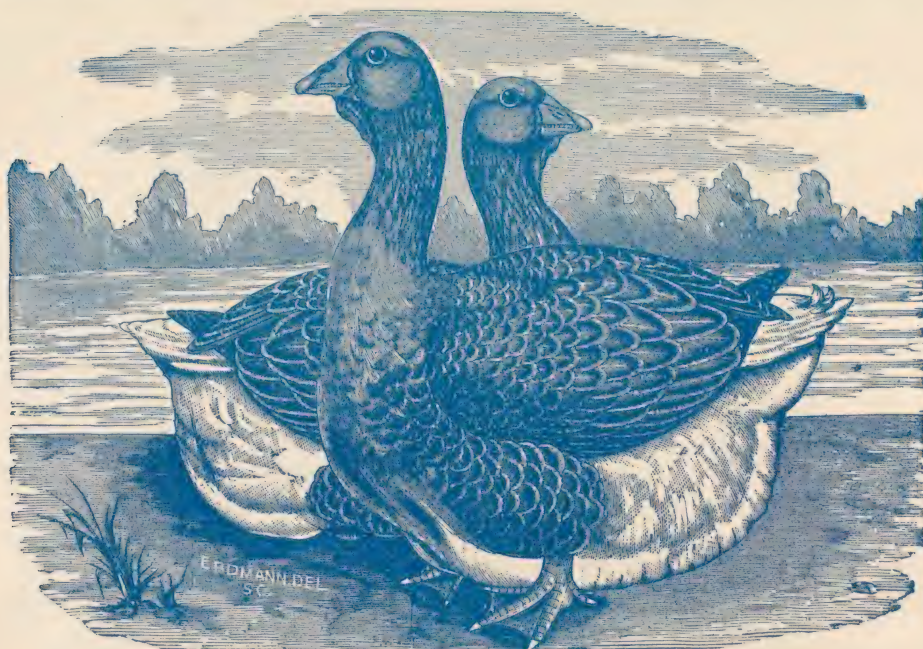
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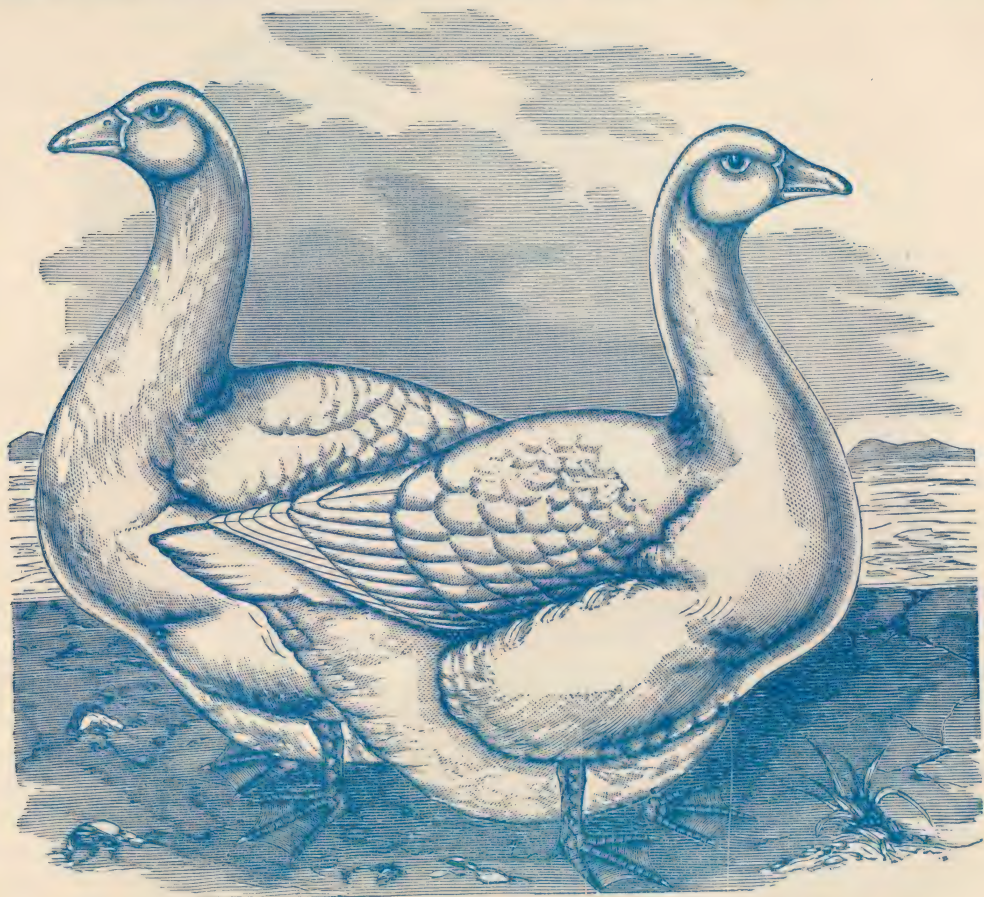


Toulouse Geese.

The Toulouse Geese are a purely English breed. Both male and female are very massive in proportion. The bill and feet are dark orange color, head, neck and back a dark gray, breast light gray, but descending lighter till beyond the legs to the tail they are pure white. The combination of colors presents a very attractive appearance.

Both male and female are uniform in color being alike to a feather. They live to a great old age; some have reported them living and doing well at the age of 30 years. Goose raising is very profitable as they need no grain in the summer, when they can have plenty of grass to feed on, and are small feeders in winter. Now while the expense is so light to keep them, and you can on the other hand pick their feathers four times in one season, making about 2 lbs. of feathers from one goose which is worth from \$1.00 to \$1.50, besides the young you can raise makes them very profitable. The weight of an adult goose is 23 lbs., gander 25 lbs. We have a fine large flock and can furnish you with choice eggs from old stock, which produces stronger goslings than young ones do.

There are numerous remedies that may be given in the drinking water, which is the most simple way of treatment that we know. One teaspoonful of liquid Carbolic Acid given in two quarts of water is an excellent preventive of most diseases among fowls. One tablespoonful of Chlorate of Potash in one quart of water for roup; for little chicks that are weak in the legs, one tablespoonful of Sulphate of Soda in one quart of water. For worms, give ten drops of Aloes or Spirits of Turpentine in a pint of water. For gapes, add a few drops of Spirits of Camphor or Turpentine to the drinking water. For cold or catarrh, put ten drops of Aconite in a pint of water. For sneezing or running at the nostrils, put about one tablespoonful of Kerosene Oil in one quart of water. You will also find that Asafoetida tied up in a rag and placed in the drinking water for the fowls will be a good remedy for roup, also a preventive of most diseases.

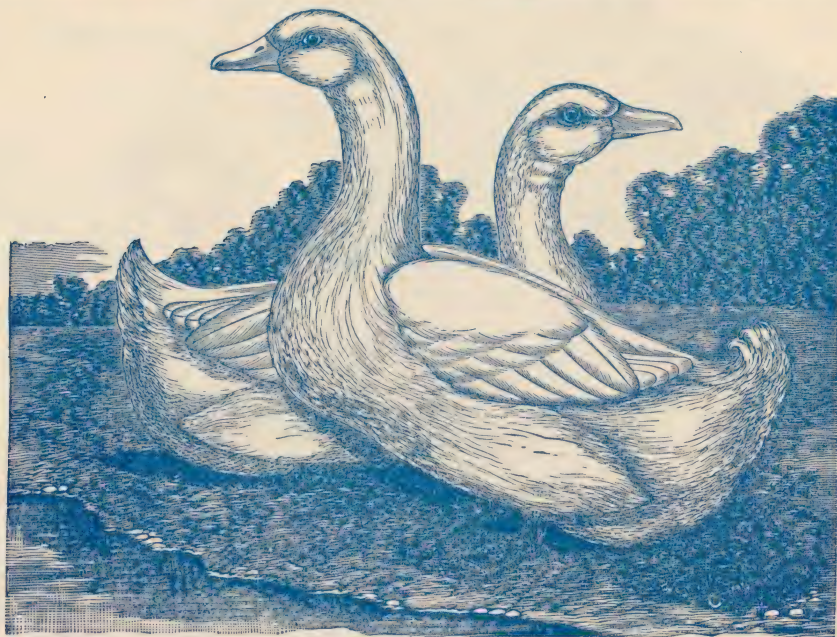


Emden Geese.

The Emden are an excellent breed of geese. In size they are about the same as the Toulouse and in laying qualities they are about the same, but in color they are a pure white; of course we must concede that this is one point in favor of the Emden, as the pure white feathers are considered much nicer than gray feathers, however they are no better. The expense of keeping them is very small where a grass run and plenty of water is provided for them. The above illustration gives a good idea of their general appearance. They are hardy, and goslings grow very fast with good care for the first two or three weeks, from which time they will help themselves if plenty of grass and water is provided for them.

Sore heads on chicks may be cured by an ointment made of lard and vaseline, with enough sulphur added to make a paste. Apply to the affected parts from one to three times, say two days apart. It will work a cure.

This is also good for mange in hares. It will cure the disease.



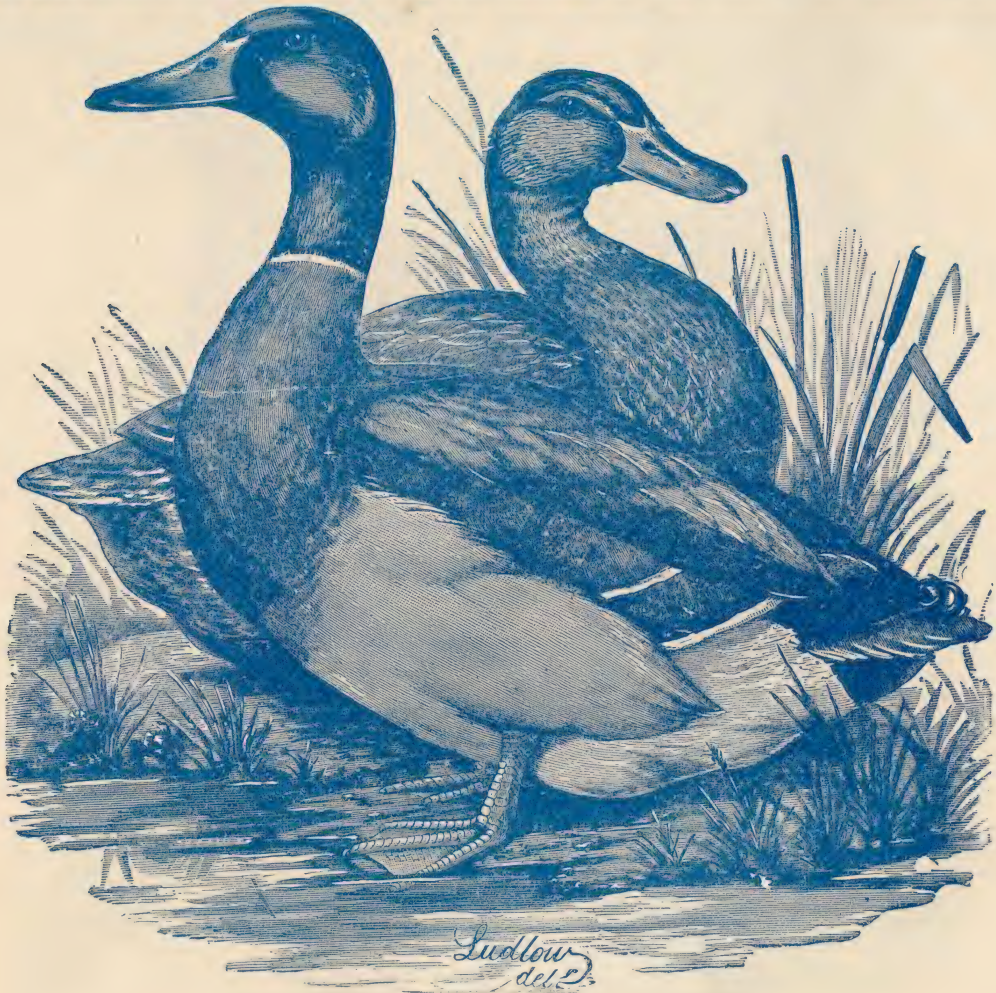
Imperial Pekin Ducks.

The Imperial Pekin Duck is the most popular of all ducks, and is most extensively raised. They are a large white duck, in many instances they are a rich creamy white, but this rich color does not show at all times, only when they are in full feather and in prime condition. They are very hardy, having seen ducklings at the age of 8 weeks weigh over 4 lbs. and in full feather. They are splendid layers, having known them to lay as high as 75 eggs in succession, but they lay best when in small flocks. If kept in large flocks they do not lay so well. Their eggs usually hatch well and ducklings are strong and vigorous. It is erroneous to say ducks or geese must have running water to thrive well. We have seen ducks and geese raised, and were remarkably thrifty, with only plenty of water to drink and no water to swim in at all. But they enjoy themselves much more if they are provided with water to swim or at least to wash themselves in. We have bred both ducks and geese for many years and consider them very profitable to raise. Pekin ducks usually weigh from 7 to 9 lbs. each.

KEEP YOUR OBJECTS IN VIEW.

Hens afford a profit from eggs and flesh, and yet they excel, according to the breed used, in either direction. He who wishes to make eggs a specialty should pay but very little attention to the market qualities of the breed, while those who wish to raise the best birds for the market should make eggs a secondary matter. It should be the aim to secure both, if possible, but no breed combines in itself all the requirements for eggs and flesh. If we secure a breed that comes up to such a standard it may be lacking in some other direction, perhaps tender when young and not hardy. Always, however, have a definite object in view.—*Ex.*

All Poultry yards should be spaded or plowed around every year at least once, and sowed with wheat and grass seed in order to renew the soil and give it freshness. Fowls should then be kept off until the grain and grass have a good start. This is absolutely necessary for the health of the flock.



Rouen Ducks.

The Rouen Duck is considered one of the hardiest of the duck family. The head of the drake is a lustrous green, bill is a greenish yellow. The neck has a distinct white ring on the lower part, which should not quite meet at the back. The back is ash gray mixed with green, with lustrous green on lower part, the saddle coverts being streaked with brown lines. The breast is purplish brown. Under part of body is gray, being lighter behind with black under the tail. The wings are grayish brown, mixed with green, with a broad ribbon of purple, with green and blue tinges, edged with white. Tail is ashy white, the outer web in old birds edged with white. Legs are orange, with a brownish tinge. The duck is a deep brown on the head, with two light brown stripes on each side, a dark orange bill, having a bean on the tip and a dark blotch on the upper part. The neck is a light brown, with no penciling. The back is a light brown marked with green; breast dark brown penciled; under part of body and sides grayish brown and penciled with darker brown; wings grayish brown mixed with green, and having the purple ribbon bars across them; tail brown; legs orange. In size they are the same as the Pekins, are very hardy, and splendid layers. Ducklings grow very rapidly and are full fledged at about 10 weeks if well cared for.



Mammoth Bronze Turkeys.

The Mammoth Bronze Turkey is the acknowledged king of all turkeys. Plumage of male, on back and breast, is a brilliant bronzy hue, which glistens in the sunlight like burnished gold. Wing coverts are a beautiful rich bronze, the feathers terminating in a wide bronzy band across the wings when folded, and separated from the primaries by a glossy black ribbon like mark, formed by the ends of the coverts.

Tail. Each feather is irregularly penciled with narrow bands of light brown, and ending in a broad black band, with a wide edging of a dull white or gray. In the female the entire plumage is similar to that of the male, but the colors are not so brilliant or clearly defined, and the edging of the feathers is generally a dull white or gray.

The Mammoth Bronze is the hardiest of all turkeys, and the most extensively raised of any breed. They are good layers, many claiming them to lay over 100 eggs in one season. However, there are exceptions in all things, but it is no unusual occurrence for a turkey hen to lay 50 eggs during hatching season, say from April 1st to July 1st. Most turkeys do not lay after the 1st of July.

They bear confinement to yards remarkably well, and the young are easily raised if proper care is given them. Standard weight for old toms is 32 lbs., for old hens, 22 lbs. But we have bred some that have weighed as high as 45 lbs. We have bred them for many years, our stock breeds remarkably true, is strong, heavy boned and vigorous.

PLEASE READ.

It may interest you to know, that our breeding stock in all varieties is the best, and that we carry the largest stock of fine pure bred fowls there is in this country. We are fully equipped for the handling of our large and steadily increasing trade. All correspondence promptly and cheerfully answered.

The prices quoted below are for good breeding birds, as we do not ship culls for breeders, (like many do) but give full value for your money. Should we run short, and cannot fill your order with good birds of the kind you want, we will return your money. We only ask you to give us a trial order, and be convinced of our way of doing business.

Exhibition Fowls, a matter of correspondence.

PRICES OF EGGS AND POULTRY.

VARIETIES.	EGGS PER 13	EGGS PER 26	SINGLE BIRDS.	PAIRS.	TRIOS.
Dark Brahmas.....	\$2 00	\$3 50	\$3 00	\$5 00	\$ 7 00
Light Brahmas.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
Buff Cochins.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
Partridge Cochins.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
White P. Rocks.....	2 50	4 00	4 00	6 00	9 00
Langshans.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
B. P. Rocks.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
White P. Rocks.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
Pea Comb B. P. Rocks.....	3 50	6 00	No	Stock for	Sale.
Pea Comb W. P. Rocks.....	4 00	7 00	"	"	"
Mottled Javas.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	6 00	9 00
Black Javas.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
S. L. Wyandottes.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
Golden Wyandottes.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
White Wyandottes.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
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Red Caps.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
Blue Andalusians.....	2 50	4 00	4 00	7 00	10 00
S. C. B. Leghorns.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
S. C. W. Leghorns.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
R. C. W. Leghorns.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
R. C. B. Leghorns.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
S. S. Hamburgs.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
G. S. Hamburgs.....	2 00	3 50	4 00	7 00	10 00
G. P. Hamburgs.....	2 00	3 50	No	Stock for	Sale.
W. C. B. Polish.....	2 50	4 00	4 00	7 00	10 00
Golden Polish.....	2 50	4 00	4 00	7 00	10 00
Cornish Indian Games.....	3 00	5 00	4 00	7 00	10 00
Buff Leghorns.....	2 00	3 50	4 00	7 00	9 00
W. F. B. Spanish.....	2 50	4 00	3 00	5 00	7 00
B. B. R. Games.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
Brown Red Games.....	2 00	3 50	3 00	5 00	7 00
Red Pyle Games.....	2 50	4 00	4 00	7 00	10 00
Golden Sebright Bantams.....	2 50	4 00	4 00	7 00	10 00
Buff Cochins Bantams.....	3 00	5 00	No	Stock for	Sale.
	Per 9	Per 18			
M. B. Turkeys.....	2 50	4 00	4 00	7 00	10 00
	Per 7	Per 14			
Toulouse Geese.....	2 50	4 00	4 00	7 00	10 00
Emden Geese.....	2 50	4 50	No	Stock for	Sale.
	Per 11	Per 22			
Pekin Ducks.....	2 00	3 50	2 50	4 50	6 00
Rouen Ducks.....	2 00	3 50	2 50	4 50	6 00

After July 1st we sell eggs till September 15th at one-half price of single setting rates. No discount for large orders.

**SHIPPING
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We are located so that we are able to ship to all points direct, with but few transfers. Trains leave for all points daily, North, East, South and West, hence quick train service. This alone is a great advantage over many others, who only have one Railroad to ship on. So you see by direct routes, you have less transfers en route, therefore less expense to purchaser, and the quicker you receive goods, when shipped; thereby saving time and money.



**HOW
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SHIPPED.**

All Fowls that are shipped by Express by us are crated in very light canvas coops, as light as they can possibly be made to carry safely long distances. Coop for a pair or trio weighs $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 pounds, coop for Breeding Pen from 7 to 9 pounds, ready for shipping.

But when shipped by freight we use good strong boxes, and if the weather is not too cold, and the distance too great, we should advise shipping by freight, as freight rates are much lower than express rates. Therefore shipping by freight is a great saving of expense to purchasers.



**HOW
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EGGS.**

We ship Eggs in all new baskets made strong and serviceable, especially for us. We order our baskets direct from factory in carload lots.

By our method of packing Eggs we are able to ship them anywhere with good results to purchaser, and guarantee safe arrival of Eggs at your nearest Express Office, at the lowest possible rates. The express on eggs is low, they are not bulky and are easily handled, so that the Express Companies carry them at merchandise rates. Therefore you will see where the distance is great it will be to your advantage to buy good fresh Eggs to start with in the poultry business (that is the way I started,) as the expense is by far less than to buy Fowls. I should advise you to order two settings at least of a kind when you buy, for this reason, you get a reduction of 25 cents on each setting, when two or more are ordered at one time; besides the express charges will be but a trifle more on two settings than on one setting. So you can readily see that it is to your advantage to order two or more settings at one time.



**WHEN A
POOR
HATCH.**

We will duplicate all orders for eggs at just one-half the price of single setting rate, when less than seven out of thirteen prove to be fertile. This we think fair and square, hence we can not deviate from this rule. It will be useless to write, "What will you do? I had a poor hatch." If you had a poor hatch, by reading the above, you can soon make up your mind if you want any more eggs at our terms or not.

Our eggs from the different yards are all tested to see if they are reasonably fertile before we ship. We do not ship eggs from any variety, unless we are certain that they are mated with good vigorous males.

No duplicates for poor hatch on July and August prices at less than original price.



TERMS.

Cash must accompany all orders, nothing sent C. O. D. Send money by Draft, Express Money Order, Post Office Money Order, or Registered Letter. We would kindly ask you not to send stamps if you can possibly avoid it.

C. C. Shoemaker's Stock Wins.

Undersigned you will find names and addresses of people who have purchased either eggs or birds from me that have taken the highest honors. Those letters, that the following extracts have been taken from, have all been received during the month of September 1895, and the original letters are on file in my office open for inspection any time. Can furnish hundreds and hundreds of testimonials, but have no space to print them in this book.

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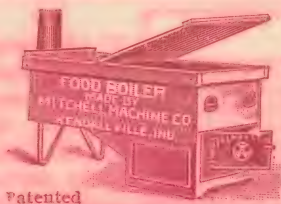
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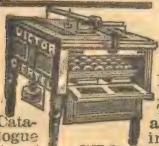
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